

500 Arrested in Greek Murder Plot; Communists Claim Independent State

ATHENS, Dec. 25 (AP)—Police announced tonight they had rounded up more than 500 persons in connection with a Communist-inspired plot to assassinate a number of prominent Greek politicians, including former Premier Stylianos Gonatas.

The announcement came a little more than 24 hours after Gen. Markos Vafiades, the leader of the anti-government forces in northern Greece, proclaimed in a radio broadcast the setting up of an independent Communist state in the fighting zone.

Police said they got their first information of the plot after questioning two Communists charged with shooting and killing a policeman on the streets of Athens on Dec. 9.

The police said the men confessed the plot and gave the name of 71-year-old Gonatas, leader of the National Liberal (pro-Royalist) party as one of the political leaders slated for assassination. Gonatas was minister of public works in the last government, which yielded to the coalition now headed by Premier Themistokles Sophoulis, a liberal Republican.

Three hundred, fifty persons were arrested in Athens and Piraeus. At least another hundred were reported arrested in Kiphissia, a fashionable Athens suburb.

In a communique police said that Opa, Athens terrorist organization, plotted Gonatas' assassination after a careful study of his habits.

They selected a prominent corner of Athens between a library and university buildings.

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The U. S. Air Force's new rocket-engine plane, the XS-1 (shown in flight—insert) has broken through the "supersonic barrier" to fly faster than the speed of sound, it is reported in Aviation Week magazine. The plane is launched from the belly of a Superfort bomber as shown above. Its rocket motors have about a one-minute life, after which the plane is glided to a landing. Flights at speeds above 660 miles an hour, at record altitudes, reportedly have been made several times during the past month.

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Sea Tragedies Take Lives of 4 Americans

By The Associated Press

At least four seamen died and 34 others were reported missing last night as a result of a series of Christmas mishaps that befell ships at sea.

A typhoon moving along an erratic course into the Philippine islands brought distress to two vessels. The 9823-ton Danish motorship Kina reported she was aground near Camandag off Samar island and her crew was preparing to abandon ship. An inter-island ship reported the Kina in a sinking condition.

Off southeastern Luzon, the 3070-ton Norwegian freighter Tigre messaged that she had been driven ashore near the town of Tabaco.

A heavy gale at the confluence of the Baltic sea and the Gulf of Finland caused the 7607-ton American freighter Park Victory to smash against the cliffs of Uto island, drowning four seamen. Eleven others who took to a lifeboat were reported missing.

Twenty-three of the 25 crew members of the 1950-ton Norwegian steamship Skoghaud were listed as missing after an explosion wrecked the ship in the North sea off the port of Schorlo, The Netherlands.

The SS John Owen, a 7176-ton American Liberty ship, radioed that it was disabled and drifting in the South Atlantic ocean due south of Rio de Janeiro and about 500 miles from the nearest point of land. Maritime sources in Buenos Aires, from which the ship sailed Dec. 19 for Antwerp, said the ship was believed to have lost its propeller. One message reported the ship in a near foundering condition.

CLIPPER IN DISTRESS

HALIFAX Friday, Dec. 26 (AP)—A Pan American Airways Clipper en route from the Azores to Monton, N. B. sent out a distress signal today, 300 miles out over the Atlantic from Sydney, N. S.

THE WEATHER

For Eastern Pennsylvania: Brief light snow early today followed by clearing and warmer this afternoon. Tomorrow fair with moderate temperature.

34 Mercury 18

High Antics Low

TEMPERATURE EXTREMES

Local temperatures yesterday and early this morning were:

4 a. m.	20	4 p. m.	33
5 a. m.	19	5 p. m.	32
6 a. m.	18	6 p. m.	31
7 a. m.	18	7 p. m.	30
8 a. m.	19	8 p. m.	29
9 a. m.	23	9 p. m.	28
10 a. m.	26	10 p. m.	28
11 a. m.	28	11 p. m.	29
12 m.	30	12 p. m.	30
1 p. m.	32	1 p. m.	31
2 p. m.	33	2 a. m.	31
3 p. m.	34	3 a. m.	31

Death Toll Hits 336 In Palestine Violence

JERUSALEM, Dec. 25 (AP)—Shootings, bombings, armed robberies and other violence swept over Palestine Christmas Day, increasing to 336 the number of dead since the United Nations decided to divide the Holy Land between the Jews and Arabs.

The number may be even higher. Two British soldiers were killed and at least three wounded, a police source said, when the underground Stern gang attacked a group in a Tel Aviv cafe tonight. Other British soldiers were reported wounded here and in Nazareth.

Gun battles flared in Haifa and in Jaffa. One Jerusalem newspaper said at least 17 Arabs were killed in Haifa today, but the report had no official confirmation.

Armed Arabs held up and looted a train near Sarafand Junction in central Palestine. Reports said a large quantity of goods was stolen from four cars and carted away in trucks. One report from a private source said 200 were in the attacking party.

Italian Envoy Slain By Mental Patient; Stabbed in Heart

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 25 (AP)—A Christmas Day gesture of kindness on the part of Alberto Bellardi Ricci, newly-appointed Italian minister to Sweden, was repaid today with the fatal thrust of a scissor blade into his heart.

Swedish foreign department officials said the assassin was an Italian balloon vendor "on leave" for the holiday season from a mental hospital. They gave his name as Giuseppe Capocci.

He was being held by police after a vain attempt to escape.

The assassin's blow was struck at a farewell luncheon in honor of Ricci, retiring minister to Sweden. Margu's Citadini-Cesi, first secretary of the Italian legation, was stabbed through the face.

An informant at the Italian legation and Swedish foreign office sources gave this account of the tragedy:

As the luncheon approached a close at the Italian legation, a door man entered with a letter to Ricci saying an Italian was waiting for a reply. The man had entered the ministry villa under pretext of wanting to demonstrate an invention—a pair of scissors which could be unscrewed.

The marquis opened the letter and declared it unworthy of attention. The minister demurred, saying "Let us be kind-hearted. It is Christmas."

Ricci went into an adjoining room to receive the visitor, who greeted the diplomat with a blow that loosened two front teeth. With one "leg" of the scissors he stabbed Ricci six times, hitting the heart once.

The marquis entered the room to find Ricci on the floor and his assailant on top of him. The man lunged at the marquis with his weapon, and it entered one side of his face and came out through the other.

West End Fire Co., Dance Saturday Eve. Al Sabold orch. Memb. Only. Dr. Alice E. Sheppard will be out of town Saturday and Sunday.

Notice—Ice Skating at Pruss Hill dam. Refreshments.

Dine-Dance, Harry's Bar, Sanatoga

U. N. Workers Drop All Cares At Yule Party

BINGHAMTON, N. Y., Dec. 25 (AP)—Under sprigs of mistletoe today in this friendly upstate New York community, lads and lasses from 35 nations blushing indulged in an old American Christmas custom.

A light kiss, a light laugh and any lingering ice was broken for the 175 employees of the United Nations secretariat who came from Lake Success last night at the invitation of Binghamton, Endicott and Johnson city residents, anxious to return hospitality shown the Yanks overseas during World War II.

"Mistletoe? What is that?" wondered shy-eyed Denise Feulner, news secretary with the U. N., who came from Paris 15 months ago.

Her host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. Walter E. Craw, happily had some neighborhood youths on hand to demonstrate.

Dense and her companion, red-headed Andree Chaussepeil of Paris were former librarians in the Associated Press Paris bureau.

It was a big day for these French. Australians, Russians, Dutch and other longshore peace workers far from their homelands.

It was like "tripping to a fairy land" in the words of Mrs. Edwin Ellis of London and Cape-town, South Africa. Mrs. Ellis and her husband are spending their first Christmas together in three years, having been separated by postwar obligations.

She insisted on learning how to run a washing machine at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert B. Jogerst. And Mrs. Jogerst was pleased to oblige. Anything went with the Jogersts, because it was he who suggested this international fête.

For the most part, the visitors preferred the small family celebrations around unsexed trees. They steered clear of politics, talking, instead, of native customs, of experiences in house hunting, of recipes.

Red Troops Remain On Hungarian Soil

BUDAPEST, Hungary, Dec. 25 (AP)—Some 25,000 Soviet troops, including tactical forces ranging from tank crewmen to fighter pilots, still are on Hungarian soil today although the formal peace was signed 100 days ago.

The peace treaty calls for "the Red army here to be reduced to 'lines of communication' units by Dec. 15, some 90 days after the ratification of the instruments deposited in Berlin."

Snugly billeted in provincial towns astride Hungary's approaches to Austria, Soviet veterans have told discreetly inquisitive Hungarian civilians they are "remaining an additional three months at the invitation of the Hungarian government."

Pic-Kar Studio Closed Until Monday, Dec. 29.

No office hours until Dec. 30, inclusive. Dr. Ellnor Hadra.

Quick Radio Repairs. Call 3830 J. Fegeley & Son, 38 High St.

TWO KIDNAPERS LOSE GUN DUEL IN CALIFORNIA

Convict Surrenders After Tear Gas Blast In Deserted Building

SAN ARDO, Calif., Dec. 25 (AP)—Two desperadoes who escaped from prison and abducted a woman but released her unharmed were captured today—both wounded after a gun fight with peace officers.

One of the convicts, Hershel Graham, 26-year-old escaped robber, was shot four times and is in a death at Community hospital, King City. A police officer was shot but not seriously wounded.

Eugene Earp, 26, convicted kidnaper, was wounded in a leg in the exchange of shots and was captured in a farm building. Surrounded by a posse of officers, he had held out in the house on the outskirts of San Ardo for more than an hour while tear gas was fired into the building.

Sheriff Jack L. McCoy said Earp hid in a small bathroom, covering himself on the floor with wet cloths. After searching the premises officers reported he had escaped, but he was found on a final hunt through the building.

Mrs. Olive Mertz, 41-year-old housewife of Brawley, Calif., was abducted last night by the convicts. McCoy said, after they stopped the Mertz automobile at Rincon Junction, in Southern California, after driving a short distance they forced her husband, W. B. Mertz, to get out.

Mrs. Mertz was released in San Miguel. He told officers the two men did not harm her and that they gave her \$10 of the \$19 they had taken from her.

The car in which the convicts fled was stopped later today at San Ardo, about 58 miles south of Salinas, and police ordered the pair of gunmen to get out with their hands up.

McCoy said the convicts answered with gunfire. Officer Aaron T. Flowers, of Paso Robles, was shot once in the foot and once in the leg. Flowers shot Graham twice in the chest, once in the shoulder and once in the leg with a machinegun.

Earp fled in the stolen car, McCoy said, and crashed it a few miles from the scene of the battle. Pursuing police officers wounded him in the leg before he took refuge in the small farmhouse which was "otherwise unoccupied."

After surrounding the house and ordering tear gas flow to the scene from Salinas, McCoy and his men ordered Earp to come out. They got no answer. Tear gas failed to drive him out.

McCoy realized Earp had escaped after the first search of the house shortly after nightfall, but an all-points police bulletin to that effect was quickly withdrawn when the convict was found. McCoy said he did not resist. He was jailed tonight at Salinas.

Royersford Resident Charged With Assault

Paul Lineberg, 22, Royersford, was arrested early yesterday morning at the Wallace cafe, 12 South Hanover street, after Eugene A. Fox, Lincoln avenue, swore out a warrant charging him with assault and battery.

Police took Fox to the Pottstown hospital where four stitches were taken in his nose. The cut was caused by blow from Lineberg, Fox said.

The warrant was issued by Justice of the Peace Raymond C. Kelley who listed the hearing for Monday night at 7 o'clock. Police Sergeant Daniel Linton and Motor Patrolman Lewis Borgiet made the arrest.

The Royersford youth still was being held last night in failure to post a \$20 bond for the hearing. The altercation occurred shortly after 1 a. m.

he said, by former Undersecretary of State Dean Acheson.

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'Cyclist Killed Near Spring City; Motorist Held for Manslaughter

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John Adamski, 21, Held For Hearing Today; Two Calls Sounded

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The youth, an Army veteran, was arrested by Scheidt in the act of turning in a false alarm at Box 82, at Washington and Water streets, at 10:02 p. m.

After the first alarm had been pulled, at Box 68, Washington and Cherry streets, at 8:45 p. m., Scheidt saw the man come out from an alley.

Suspicious of his actions, the officer trailed Adamski for the next hour and 15 minutes, following him as he wandered around the lower end of town, north of High street, back down Washington street and along Water street, before turning in the second alarm.

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Ice Skates sharpened. John Dori, 514 West Race St., Stowe.

Dance, Saturday, St. Peter's Hall Jolly Jack Robel orchestra.

Kozak Bros., Cooper's Beer, P. 1935-W

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BORO CHURCHES, HOMES TYPIFY YULE SEASON

Thousands at Services Greet New-Born King; Workers Get Holiday

"Where is Christmas?" asked the stranger.

He stood at the corner of normally busy intersections, yesterday morning and afternoon, and saw empty streets, closed doors and sidewalks almost devoid of people.

But when he looked into the homes and churches of Pottstown, the two places where the Yuletide season comes into its own, his doubts fled and he saw where Christmas was.

The day, dawning bright, clear and cold with only a few thin patches of ice to remind residents of the recent snow, started early.

Impatient and eager, children ran downstairs while the sun was still struggling to come into view, hurrying to the Christmas tree and their presents, tantalizingly hidden in their gleaming, crisp wrappings.

With "ohs" and "ahs" and sighs and little screams of ecstatic joy, the unwrapped dolls and games, their wagons, train books, clothing, skates, candy and all the Christmas gifts that Santa Claus could supply.

And later in the day, a proud little boy could be seen self-consciously kneeling in a new wagon, racing down the street, or two teen-aged girls, gleaming skates and white shoes over the shoulders, eager not to lose a moment of the freezing temperatures that would coat streams and lakes with a shimmering jockey of ice.

In the Protestant and Catholic churches, congregations arrived in the dawn hours to gather in joyous remembrance of the birth of the Prince of Peace.

Services that welcomed in yesterday's bright Christmas were celebrated in the Emmanuel Lutheran, Grace Lutheran, Trinity Evangelical Congregational, St. John's Reformed, Trinity Reformed, Transfiguration Lutheran, St. John's Lutheran and First Methodist churches.

Christmas masses were celebrated by Catholic worshippers, beginning at 8 a. m. in St. Augustus and Holy Trinity churches, and at 8 a. m. in St. Peter's Roman Catholic church.

Workers in the indispensable service industries — the telephone operators, policemen, waitresses in the few Pottstown restaurants that remained open, bus drivers — were on their jobs as usual, but for the thousands of Pottstonians employed in the great majority of plants, yesterday was a chance to forget their jobs and relax with their families, comfortably with turkey dinners.

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Christmas Fund For Nancy Now At \$7008.77

"Nancy's Christmas Fund" went over the \$7000-mark yesterday when \$87 was subscribed. The total now is \$7008.77.

Yesterday's contributions included:

Previously acknowledged \$6951.77

Employees of the Belmont Iron Works, Royersford Plant

Nancy & Rita 25.00

Elmer Sypher 10.00

Mrs. Blanche M. Weaver 2.00

Royersford 1.00

Ruth & Jim Gaiotta 1.00

M. J. F. 5.00

Muggump & Smoky 1.00

Mother's club, Schwenkville Teachers & Teen Age Girls Class in Augustus Lutheran Sunday school, Trappe For a Worthy Cause, Boyertown 2.00

Joanna & David, Bechtelsville 2.00

Mrs. Laura Wolfsgang, Bechtelsville RD 2.00

TOTAL \$7008.77

ON THE MAIN DRAG

JOHNNY KOVAL and JACK LUKAS —exchanging cigars at usual.

RALPH MURGIA —examining Christmas gifts.

JOHNNY ONDO —stepping on a train bound for Reading.

MRS. MICHAEL GICH —bumping her head on a car roof.

LEN NERI —imitating a popular band leader on drums.

JILL MILLARD —slowly wrapping a package.

CARL TESTA —looking at a steam shovel in action.

MEL LEVENGOOD —distributing new calendar.

FRANCIS BROWER —carrying a small puppy.



SENATOR BUTLER

Republicans Criticize Marshall Plan; Butler Says U. S. Economy Important

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25 (AP)—The Marshall plan, the \$17,000,000,000 European recovery program proposed by President Truman and Secretary of State Marshall, ran into a holiday blizzard of Republican misgivings today.

While those favoring the four-year program were generally silent, save for President Truman, who said in his Christmas eve greeting to the nation that "we shall do more" to help the "cold and hungry" abroad — critics made public their views freely.

Senator Butler (R-Neb.), declaring himself "very much against" the Truman - Marshall program, said he was "very doubtful if there will be a Marshall plan."

Butler told a reporter he questioned whether "the American economy can stand such a program."

Nebraska's junior GOP Senator Wherry said Congress will not be "pressured" into adopting the Marshall plan hastily — and least of all, he said, by former Undersecretary of State Dean Acheson.

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Communists Continue to Press China Fight As New Constitution Is Put Into Effect

PEIPING, Dec. 25 (AP)—China spent her first day under a new constitution today with the same national government in Nanking struggling to maintain its position in a civil war flaring from frozen Manchuria to the nation's heartland.

On schedule, the constitution went into effect by official decree. The present government will continue in power until the national assembly convenes March 29.

Meanwhile Communist forces took the initiative across half the length of China. They ringed the Manchurian city of Mukden with a four-sided offensive. They threatened to cut off Manchuria entirely at Chinwangtao, where the great wall runs into the sea. They showed new activity in North China from Chefoo at the tip of Shantung to the hills of Shansi. They claimed a vast but vague victory in Central China.

Fighting waxed hottest in sub-zero Manchuria. The government claimed 200,000 Communist troops were menacing the Mukden garrison on a perimeter within a 45-mile radius of the windswept city. Neutral observers here consider this figure exaggerated, but it is clear from government reports that the Communists are astride the main railway north of Mukden and threaten its connection with the rest of China at Sinmin, 40 miles to the west.

The Communists north of the city are maneuvering as if to prevent the government garrison from breaking southward out of isolated Changchun, the Manchurian capital, 150 miles up the line.

In Mukden itself, deputy national commander Gen. Lo Cho-Ying minimizes danger to the great industrial center. He was bolstered by the arrival today of government warplanes. The Communists have produced nothing they can put in the air. Lo also was encouraged by reports that Gen. Fu Tso-Yi is rushing troops up from North China to relieve the Mukden garrison.

Fu's early arrival, however, may be in doubt. Fresh reports say the Communists have raided the railway just south of the Gerat Wall port of Chinwangtao, near the Peitaiho resort area where they destroyed a railway hostel and hospital.

Here in North China, neutral observers speculate that the Communists probably consider Mukden too expensive to take and hold, and that they will content themselves with cutting it off and leaving it "an island of desolation surrounded by desolation."

They note that the new Communist offensive in Manchuria seems to have drawn off government troops needed for defense of North China, and say such strategic cities as Tientsin and Peiping may be threatened next.

Meanwhile government reports

described fresh fighting around Yencheng in the southern Shansi hill country.

Saxony Invokes Penalties To Prevent Shipments

BERLIN, Dec. 25 (AP)—The British-licensed German Press Service said today the State of Saxony, in the Russian zone, had ordered heavy penalties including death to prevent manufacturers from moving their businesses to the U. S. and British zones.

An agency dispatch from Dresden said the Saxon Economics Minister had told a news conference the step was necessary because "it has been noted recently that numerous such moves to the West have been attempted, and Saxony will not countenance this because it wants to retain all its productive capacity."

Swiss Town Plans New Marble Statues

ST. TRIPHTON, Switzerland, Dec. 25 (AP)—Erection of three marble statues, from 25 to 35 meters high, symbolizing human progress, motherhood and spiritual life, are planned here. The four-year project is to cost 250,000 Swiss francs (about \$50,000), of which 40,000 francs has been provided by an anonymous donor.

In some types of paper mills, about four gallons of turpentine are sometimes produced per ton of pulp.

Wants Goat



Mohandas Gandhi (above) said in New Delhi that he was in the market for a new goat to supply him an essential part of his diet—goat's milk. The goat, which has served Gandhi the past seven years, died.

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FINGERS THAT TICK

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A full dozen of them showed up, in full regalia, whiskers and all, for Christmas dinner as the guests of Max Rosoff at his Forty-Third street restaurant today.

The Santas, established their yearly get-together in 1937 and have been guests of different Manhattan restaurants and hotels each year. Those treated by Rosoff got full turkey dinners — everything from soup to cigars.

The 12 Kris Kinglees were employees of the Volunteers of America organization who had been stationed on Manhattan streets for a pre-holiday campaign to provide Christmas dinners for the city's neediest.

Helpful Neighbors Let Chief's Roof Burn Up

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 25 (AP)—The neighbors didn't bother Fire Chief J. L. Alderson, busy unwrapping Christmas gifts, when they noticed a blaze on the roof of his home today. They didn't disturb the fire department either, but started playing water on it with a garden hose.

Chief Alderson, being more conversant with fires than his neighbors, stuck his head into the attic and found the entire roof ablaze. The fire department came in a hurry when he telephoned, but most of the roof was burned off with a loss he estimated at \$3000.

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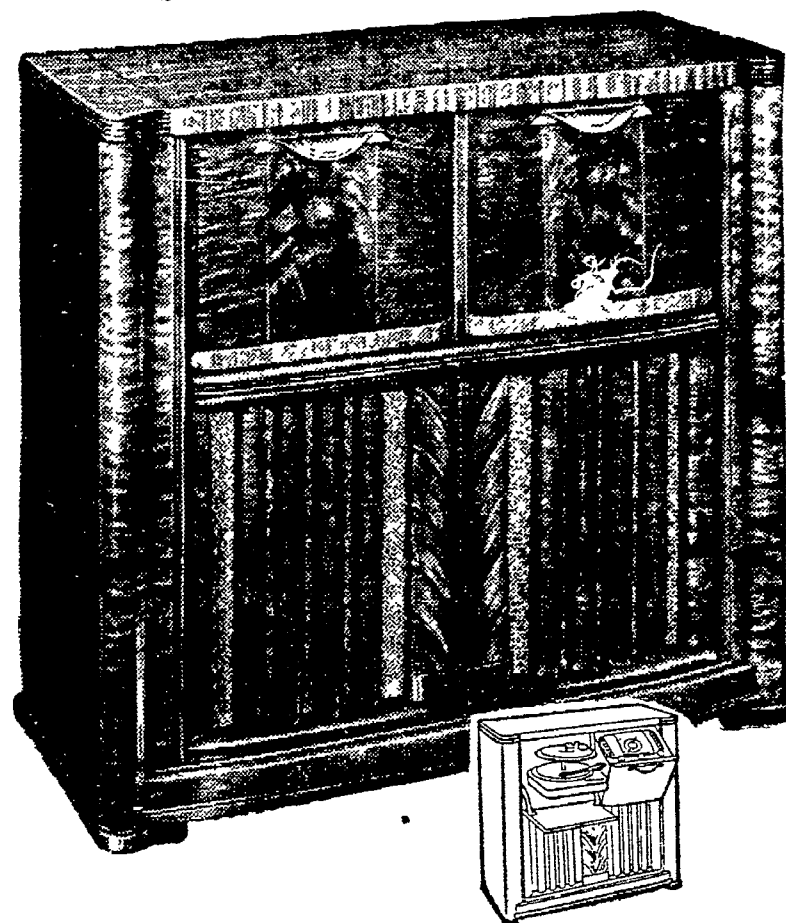
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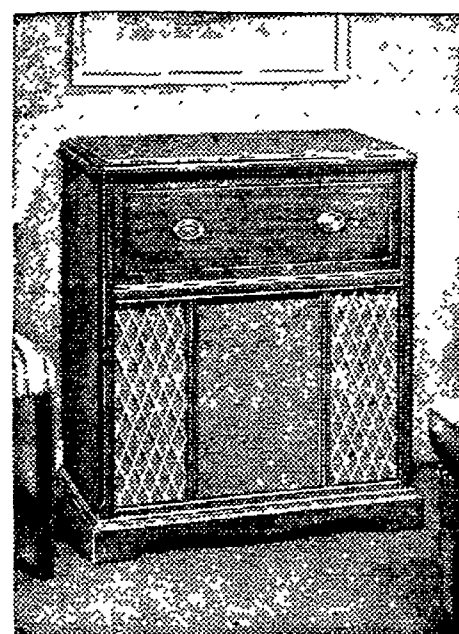
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China Struggle Gone So Far U. S. Aid May Not Help Too Much, Neutrals Believe

By JOHN RODERICK

SHANGHAI, Dec. 25 (AP)—China's deteriorating military-economic situation is reaching a point where neither American money nor arms will have much bearing on the struggle with the Communists, according to a survey of the best foreign neutral opinion in widely-separated Chinese centers.

Attempting to find the answers to questions often raised both here and in Washington, Associated Press correspondents in China have assessed neutral residents on whether the present Nanking government faces collapse, whether American aid can save it, and, if so, how much aid would be required.

The general Shanghai reaction is summarized best in the words of one foreign businessman:

"The Nanking government probably will be able to hold on for many more months to come. Whether American aid is given or not, it will affect this condition very little. However, stability never will be realized, either by this government or a future one, unless the basic causes of instability are attacked. These find their roots in civil war-shattered communications, millions of dollars wasted on the military budget, and speculation."

From the nation's capital, correspondent Harold K. Mills reported:

"The consensus here includes little expectation of a government collapse but rather a gradual loss of power and control over a period of the next year or more. There is general agreement that the situation is rapidly reaching a stage where American assistance in any practicable amount will not solve the situation, but will merely bolster the administration temporarily."

"The belief is growing among informed sources that the time is nearing when the possibility of military settlement of the Communist problem will be definitely past, with or without American assistance, and with the only remaining recourse a political compromise giving the Communists equality in the government or new, uncontrolled elections on such a broad basis that the Communists and other leftists would be willing to participate."

"Most sources say any estimate of dollars required to solve the China problem would be a foolish guess."

From North China, Correspondent Joseph Burke reported:

"Peiping opinion questions whether there is enough money in the world to pull the government out of the hole far enough to save it for any length of time."

"Lack of reforms, corruption, failure to pay public servants a living wage, economic exchange, import-export restrictions, lack of land reforms are deemed more permanent than military reasons for the government's position."

"American money might bolster the military economy but fail to reach the reasons for the present state of national affairs."

"However, there are reservations against accepting a premise of early collapse of the government in view of the recent Adrenalin supplied by the American congress."

In Hong Kong, Correspondent Wayne Richardson sampled neutral British opinion as well as in south China, and reported:

"Foreign and neutral Chinese opinion generally is agreed that the Chinese government is in danger of collapse in the near future, equally due to military and economic reasons."

"American aid could save China but it would take at least \$500,000,000 U. S. dollars. Less would do little if any good."

"Supervision of expenditure of any loan seems advisable but poses a delicate diplomatic problem, as Russia might swing openly to support of the Chinese Communists in the event of substantial American aid to the nationalists."

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The habit of saving is itself an education; it fosters every virtue, teaches self-denial, cultivates the sense of order, trains to forethought, and so broadens the mind.—T.T. Munger.

Boom to Last Through 1948

US BUSINESS management expects the boom to last through 1948—and is planning accordingly—Fortune magazine will disclose in its January issue.

This semiannual forecast is the country's only broad, continuing survey of businessmen's views on the business outlook. It is based on returns from ballots mailed to 28,200 top business executives throughout the US.

Business leaders' current optimism is in sharp contrast to their outlook last May, when 74 percent expected a slump by year's end. Following are percentages now expecting, in 1948:

A sharp upturn	1%
A moderate upturn	20
No appreciable change	39
A moderate downturn	37
A sharp downturn	2
No estimate	1

Today 65 percent of executives expects profits in the first half of 1948 to be as high or higher than in 1947. Almost none expects to lower their prices during the first half, and more than a third expect to increase them. Two evident reasons for this price policy: 60 percent expects raw material costs to go up; 69 percent expects labor costs to rise.

Management's views have been most sharply revised on the cost-of-living question. Last May, 62 percent thought the consumers' price index would be down to the 130-145 range by the end of the year (as compared with 153 in January 1947). But by September the index stood at 164. Today, 59 percent think the index will be above 166 next July. Last May, more than two-thirds of the executives were looking forward to fewer strikes in the last half of the year. By November, there was a growing fear of labor's unrest, as shown below:

May, 1947	Nov., 1947
Expecting more strikes	45
About as many	38
Fewer	68
No estimate	3

A tight labor market in 1948 is indicated by the executives' employment plans, Fortune points out.

Executives were asked: "As you see it now, normal seasonal variations aside, how will employment in your company for the first half of 1948 compare with the last half of this year?" The replies:

Up	19%
Unchanged	71
Down	8
No estimate	2

Only in transportation does any considerable percentage of executives (15 percent) plan to reduce the labor force, Fortune discloses.

"In light of the 1,700,000 unemployed in the autumn of 1947, almost an irreducible minimum, these employment plans would seem to foreshadow a tight labor market in 1948."

Executives guessed too low in their estimates, last May, of year-end production. In the first forecast, a majority thought the Federal Reserve index of industrial production would be between 160 and 170 by year-end (preliminary figure for October was 163). Now 41 percent predicts a level of 169 to 187 for next July; 29 percent thinks it might be 187 to 205.

Last May the majority forecast of gross national product (total production in the US valued at current prices) was \$186 to \$208 billion; by the third quarter the G.N.P. was at an annual rate of \$232 billion—an all-time record. Now 71 percent expects it to be above \$215 billion next July; 31 percent above \$235 billion.

Many firms are budgeting increases in investment—particularly utilities, mining and extractive industries, and retailing. Increases are planned by 28 percent of all businesses (excluding financial firms).

Executives register hearty approval (70 percent) of the Marshall plan; and only tiny minorities are opposed to the new International Trade Organization, or to successful Geneva negotiations for tariff reduction. Largest percentage of opposition to lower tariffs appeared among soft goods manufacturers (22 percent). These findings, Fortune points out, provide little evidence of the traditional high-tariff bias of the US manufacturer.

Grampaw Oakley

Editor, The Mercury.
Dear Sir: Brother:

Wal, I see by the papers that maybe it's just as well Christmas is over. A group of irate Long Island youngsters mobbed Santa Claus the other day. He was bound to get it sooner or later for failure to deliver the full list of gifts asked.

The Long Island setto should convince Santa of one thing. Before he starts off on his 1948 tour of duty he'd better get in a little roadwork and some shadow boxing!

And say: One of the late news items of the year says a scientist has succeeded in taking the odor out of limburger cheese. Why, that's almost sensational!

Hoppy New Year, sir, the same,
GRAMPAW NED OAKLEY



Capture of Hermit

Provokes Curiosity

By MERCURY READERS

Letters must not be more than 250 words long, of current topics and must not involve personalities. Writers must sign their names and give street address as evidence of good faith but these will be withheld from publication on request. It is a criminal offense to sign another person's name. Poetry, and communications advocating the election of political candidates are not acceptable.

To the Editor: Is it true that aged Aaron Urr revealed the name of the man to whom he sold the dogs before a magistrate? If so, then why is this man being protected?

Is it true a relative of this man is connected with the police force? How can such a thing be possible when the police are supposed to be so wonderfully well with the SPCA in saving those dogs?

This may seem to be a letter of questions, but they are questions everyone is asking everywhere.

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And why, if there is such an animal haven as the shelter, does Pottstown need a dogcatcher? Are the people who operate the shelter paid by the State, or is theirs volunteer work? And who buys the stolen cats from the juvenile delinquents of Pottstown?

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Generals' Blunt Honesty

Bars Gate to Presidency

By RAY TUCKER

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—High Army officers who have served alongside and under Generals "Ike" Eisenhower and Douglas A. MacArthur for more than 30 years advance novel but powerful reasons for their belief that neither military hero will be nominated for the presidency or elected to that office in 1948. And the odd part about it is that the barriers of this bad political news would like to see either man in the White House.

The demerits raised by these old campaign friends are political and practical rather than personal. In fact, they do credit to the commanders, respectively, of our European and Pacific theaters.

But even an amateur around the ward clubhouse, the White House and the House of Congress will recognize a certain validity in these objections.

BLUNT: "Both Ike and Doug," explained several old Army-Navy Club friends the other evening, "are just too damn honest and blunt! They are not masters of political palaver or maneuvering. They would do what seemed right and sensible, even if it were not politic."

The argument strikes the politicians as more fundamental than it does the average American voter. To the latter it might seem that these would be excellent qualities in a Chief Executive.

There has been so much secrecy and skulduggery at Washington under certain administrations, with respect to foreign rather than domestic problems, that an atmosphere and attitude of frankness might seem welcome.

PERSUASIVE: But a President cannot be too brusque, abrupt or communicative, as Mr. Truman is beginning to learn. He must obtain his ends with the Congress, the Cabinet, the press, the politicians and foreign diplomats by devious and indirect means.

He must sell them his ideas on major policy, but in such a persuasive way that they will think they are selling him. That was F. D. R.'s great trait; he could sell a refrigerator to an Eskimo, and at an excessive price, too.

Generals Eisenhower and MacArthur may have the same, or they may acquire them under pressure. But their old military mates doubt it. Men so used to command, in their opinion, will find it difficult to dissemble or wheedle, as Presidents are wont to do in a jam.

CASH: The Republican's feverish, last-minute appropriation of an extra \$2,564,000 for western reclamation projects shows how fiercely both major parties are battling for the electoral votes of the tsates beyond the Rockies in the 1948 presidential election. The support of this increasingly important area may mean the difference between victory or defeat for President Truman or his opponent.

The GOP Congress did reduce current 1948 funds for Grand Coulee in Washington, Central Valley in California and other undertakings of vast concern to the West.

But by requiring immediate expenditure of money alleged to be unused by the Interior Department in previous years, the Republicans maintained that they had given more cash for irrigation and land development than any predecessor body. Even Interior officials concurred in this contention.

SMART: That was the smug reply which Speaker Joseph W. Martin Jr., Senate Leader Robert A. Taft and Representative Ben Jones of Iowa, chairman of the House Appropriations Subcommittee handling these questions, gave when, last Summer, they toured the Northwest and West and discovered that their own partisans were resentful over this seemingly penny-pinching policy. They were warned that it might cost them the presidential vote in these states next year.

Martin, Taft and Jensen also ran in to what they regarded as a "Democratic racket." They learned that Interior Secretary J. A. Krug and Reclamation Commissioner Michael W. Strauss had advised smart strategy in order to embarrass the GOP.

VIOLATION: Krug and Strauss, on visits to these projects, urged their field staffs to "speed up and spend" and "crowd out all slack." That was their quarantined language to the press without regard for the fact that 1948 appropriations might run out long before June 30 of next year. Early exhaustion of funds, obviously would bulwark Interior's demand for more money at the special or regular session of Congress.

When Interior, as prophesied, did ask for an additional \$29,375,000 at the session recently recessed, Senator Styles Bridges, Appropriations Committee Chairman and Whip Kenneth S. Wherry recalled their warnings. They assailed the demand as a violation of the deficiency appropriations law.

Senator Cordon of Oregon waved an Interior Department memorandum to field agents, which said that "Interior Secretary Krug and Reclamation Commissioner Strauss are insistent that funds be spent early in the year, by January 1, 1948, if possible." To them, this document was proof of Krug-Strauss shenanigans.

RAISED: There seems to be doubt and denial as to whether such an order was sent out from Washington. But there is no doubt that in their published and off-the-record statements to their help, Krug and Strauss have advocated a program of lavish and advance spending that would force the GOP to support a deficiency appropriation.

Despite the Bridges-Wherry howls and the Martin-Taft-Jensen boasts of their generosity to the West, they not only gave President Truman an additional \$29,375,000 for reclamation in the last hour of the special session, they raised the ante by the aforesaid \$25,640,000, and the bill swished through both chambers without a whispered protest.

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U. S. Airlines Report Deficit During '47; Traffic Increased

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25 (AP)—The airlines reported today they worked harder and lost more money this year than the past year.

Considering domestic and international carriers as a whole, every class of traffic—passengers, mail, express and cargo—increased. The number of planes and the route mileage served increased. But the number of employees declined as the airlines trimmed expenses in an unsuccessful effort to get in the black.

The net loss for the year is estimated at something more than the \$7,000,000 recorded in 1946.

On the domestic lines, the number of passengers increased 7.7 percent to 13,189,366; air freight and express rose 111.5 percent to 70,805,631 ton-miles (weight times distance), and air mail declined less than one percent to 32,757,300 ton miles.

The international carriers reported an increase of 35.6 percent of 1,412,580 passengers; an increase of 95.9 percent to 15,993,393 ton-miles for air mail, and a total of 24,233,100 ton-miles of air cargo, an increase of 126.9 percent.

These figures were prepared by the Air Transport association, representing all carriers holding certificates for scheduled airline service. The figures for December were estimated.

Compared with the industry's overall loss for the year, the international airline operators reported a profit of \$1,500,000 at the end of September.

Fares were increased by 20 percent on most domestic airlines during the year, and some carriers received mail pay increases.

At the end of the year, the domestic airlines had 69,127 employees.

BALLY

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Mrs. Elias Kulp, who was a patient in the Jefferson hospital, Philadelphia, returned to her home recently.

Richard Simons is spending his vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Simons.

Eli Gehman and family were recent guests of her sister, Mrs. Barbara Moyer and family, of Norwood.

Synagog

Congregation Mercy and Truth, Dr. Emil Schorsch, rabbi. Today, 4:22 p. m., candle lighting and evening service. 8 p. m., late evening service, sermon theme, "Can Religion Be Tolerant." Tomorrow, 9 a. m., morning service; 3 p. m., advanced Hebrew study at the home of the Rabbi; 4 p. m., afternoon and evening service. Sunday, 8 a. m., morning service; 4:15 p. m., afternoon and evening service. Daily services, 7 a. m. and 8:45 p. m.

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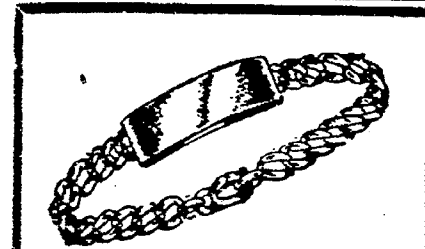
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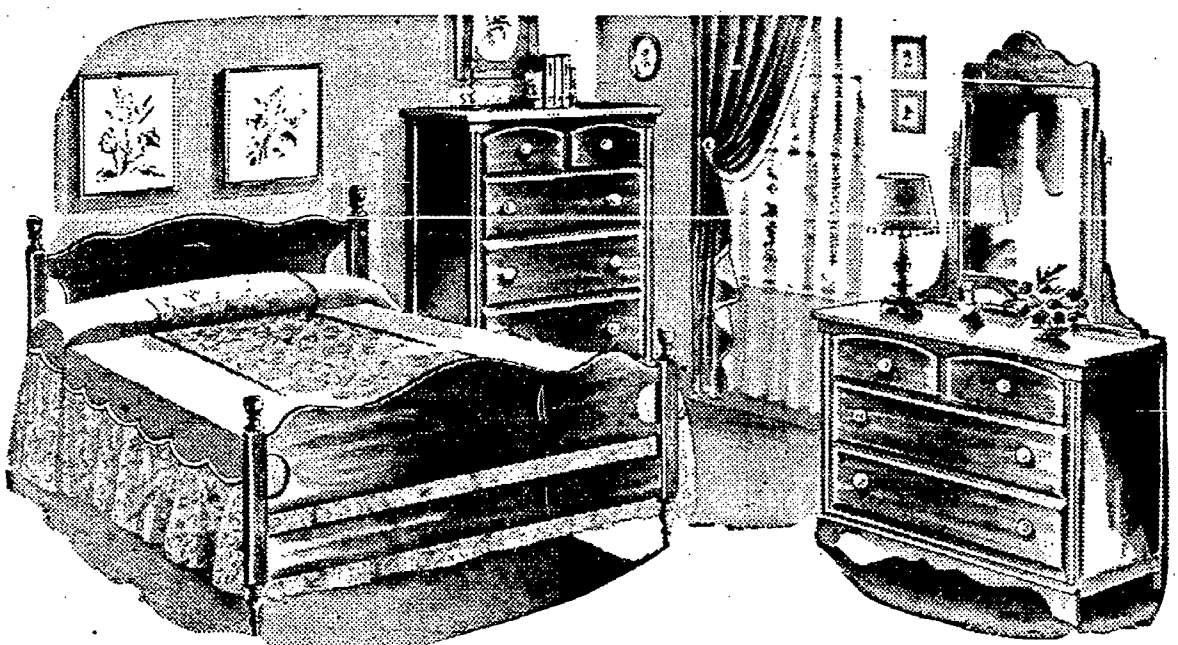
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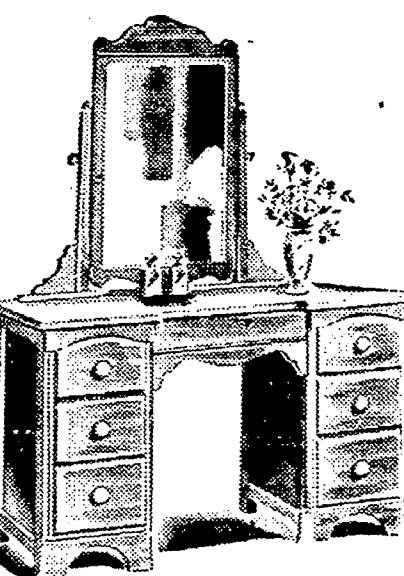
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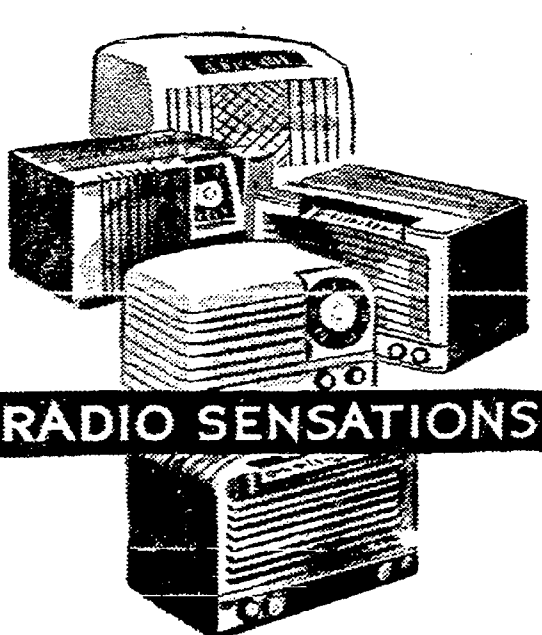
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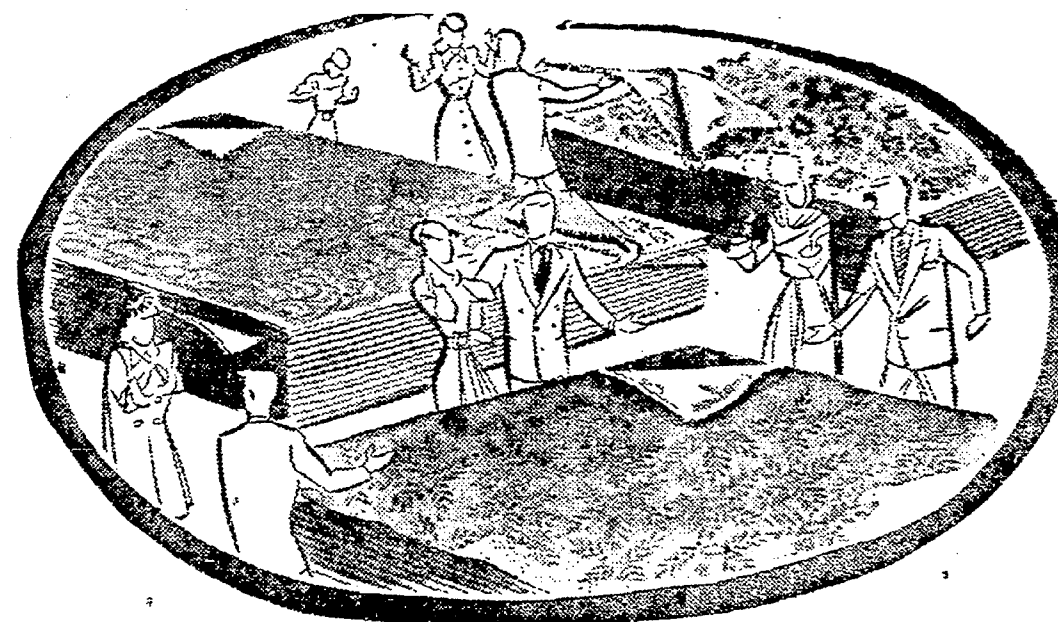
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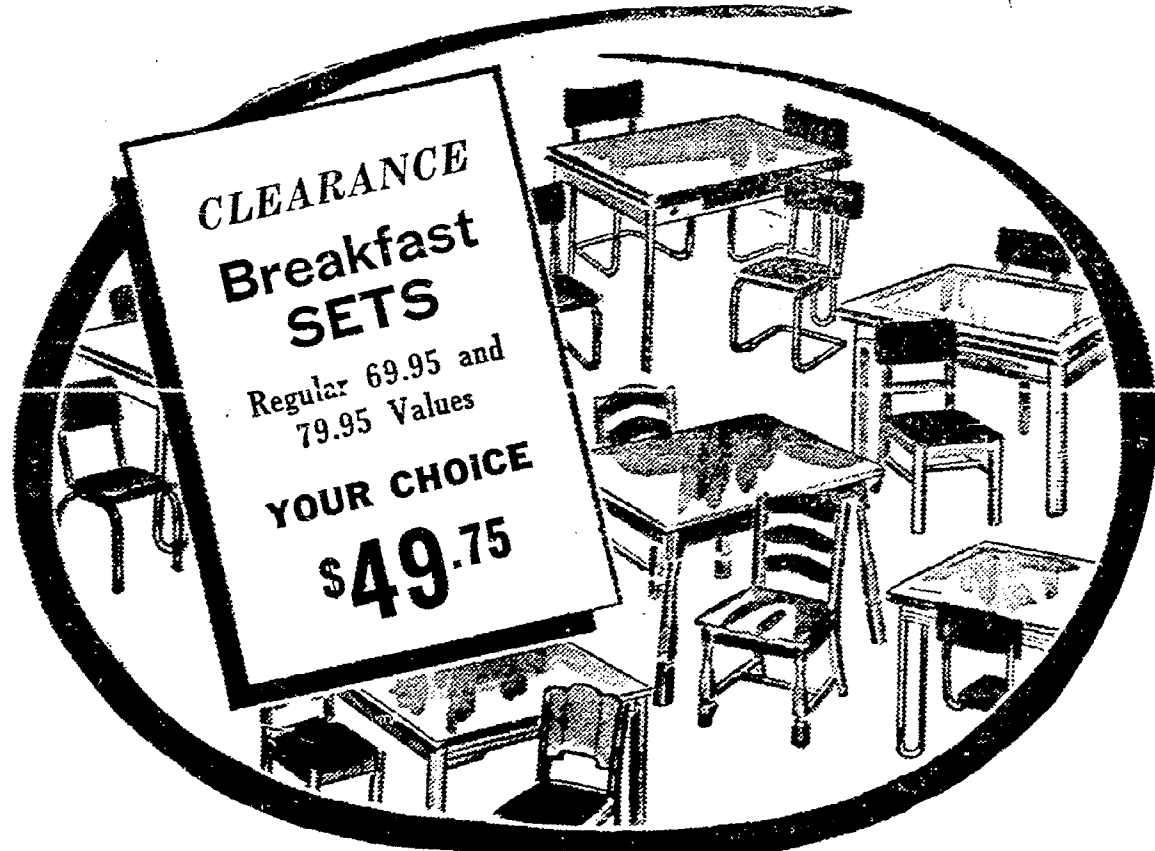


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Boyertown to Show Industrial Products in Spotlight Exhibit, Opening Tomorrow

With the opening of Boyertown's industrial "spotlight" show scheduled for 2 p. m. tomorrow, workmen are spending today in final preparations for the event which will show the thousands who are expected to visit it in the high school what Boyertown and surrounding communities contribute to the world in the way of industrial products.

Hundreds already have seen the exterior decorations, including the giant 6 by 25-foot sign bearing the title of the exhibit, "The Spotlight Is On Boyertown," and illuminated by giant floodlights playing on the front of the high school.

The show of 30 firms, arranged in gaily-decorated booths in the

gymnasium, library, and along the halls of the building will be opened formally with a program at 2 p. m. tomorrow in the high school auditorium. Earl H. Klein, director of publicity, will reside and music will be furnished by the high school band under the direction of Paul S. Hansen Jr.

Rudolf Abrams, president of the Lions club, sponsors of the show, will make the opening address, and Burgess James A. Fritz will welcome the show here. George B. Swinehart, supervising principal of schools, will also speak. The invocation will be offered by the Rev. David P. Longacre, pastor of St. John's Evangelical Lutheran church and the pastor of the Rev. Harper L. Schneck, of Church of the Good Shepherd, Evangelical and Reformed.

At the conclusion of the formal opening ceremonies, the doors of the gymnasium and the library, in which the exhibits are located, will be opened to the public. A program of motion pictures will also begin at 3 p. m. in the auditorium. The show will be in progress Saturday, Monday and Tuesday, daily from 2 to 10 p. m.

A decoration motif using purple and gold colors in the booths and red, white and blue overhead will blend with the colorful holiday spirit.

A complete list of exhibitors follows: Amity Manufacturing company, M. Beckerman and Sons, Boyertown Auto Body Works, Inc., Boyertown Body and Equipment company, Boyertown Burial Casket company, Boyertown Gas and Fuel company, Boyertown Hosiery Mills, Boyertown Planning Mill company, Boyertown Photo Shop, Boyertown Shoe corporation, Boyertown Times Publishing company, Campbell and Helmich, Inc., Campbell Manufacturing company, Colebrookdale Iron company, Conestoga Telephone and Telegraph company, Fashion Hosiery Mills, Inc., Funk Fruit Farms, Inc., C. W. Kline Granite works, Marl-Tex Hosiery Mills, Inc., B. Maimon and Sons, Inc., Metropolitan Edison company, A. W. Mercer Sheet-metal works, Penn Valley Knitting Mills, Inc., Eastern Foundry company, Farmers National Bank and Trust company, Tung-Sol Lamp Works, Inc., Unger Fruit Farms, Inc., Union Manufacturing company, Inc., United Underwear Mills, Inc., West Motor Freight and the host organization, Boyertown School district.

Boyertown Classified

Deaths

BOWER—In Boyertown, on Wednesday, Dec. 24, 1947, Grant R. Bower, husband of the late Mary Jane S. (Fegley) Bower, age 30 years. Relatives and friends are invited to the services from Schwenk Funeral Home, 124 W. Phila. Ave., Boyertown, Pa., on Monday at 2 p. m. in the funeral home. Burial in Fairview cemetery, Boyertown. Friends may call Sunday evening, 7 to 9.

MILLER—In New Hanover, on Tuesday, Dec. 23, 1947, William H. Miller, husband of Hannah B. (Fryer) Miller, age 82 years. Relatives and friends are invited to the services from Schwenk Funeral Home, 124 W. Phila. Ave., Boyertown, Pa., on Saturday at 2 p. m. in the funeral home. Burial in Fairview cemetery, Boyertown. Friends may call Friday evening 7 to 9 (Schwenk).

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DEATHS—FUNERALS

GRANT R. BOWER, 80, veteran Boyertown bandman, died Wednesday night in his home, 136 NORTH READING AVENUE, BOYERTOWN, as the result of a stroke he suffered the past Thursday. He had been in good health up to that time.

As a musician, Bower was the bass drummer of the former Keystone band of Boyertown for 48 years until the group disbanded some years ago. Prior to his retirement three years ago, he was employed as custodian of Lincoln elementary school, Boyertown, for 27 years. Before that, he was employed as a cigarmaker.

Bower was born in Pottstown, a son of the late Henry and Catharine (Reichert) Bower. He was a member of Camp 104, POS of A, and St. John's Lutheran church, Boyertown, as well as Gilbertsville Chamber 55, Knights of Friendship. His wife, Mary Jane S. (Fegley) Bower, preceded him in death by 17 years.

Surviving are two daughters: Grace, wife of Edwin B. Nagel Jr., Boyertown, and Helen, wife of Ernest S. Gerhart, with whom he resided; one granddaughter, Mary Jane Nagel; a brother, Elmer Bower, New Berlinville, and a sister, Flora, wife of David Hunsberger, Boyertown.

Services will be held Monday at 2 p. m. from a funeral home at 124 West Philadelphia avenue, Boyertown. The Rev. D. F. Longacre, pastor of St. John's Evangelical Lutheran church, will officiate. Burial in Fairview cemetery, Boyertown.

Union Company Workers Receive Christmas Bonus

A cash present, the amount of which depended upon the number of years of service with the company, was presented to each employee of Union Manufacturing company, Inc., at the annual Christmas banquet and party held at Washington House, Bechtelsville, recently.

Entertainment was furnished by the Reinsmith-Kulowich orchestra and gift hosiery was distributed to each employee and guest. More than 100 attended.

Carl Trout Graduated From Drexel Institute

Carl J. Trout, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles G. Trout, 649 Rhoads avenue, was graduated from Drexel Institute of Technology, Philadelphia, recently.

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Only Snowfall Is Lacking As Boyertown Celebrates Christmas in Church and Home

Boyertown's third post-war Christmas came and went yesterday, and everyone, including the weatherman, and Santa Claus was kind to the Community.

The day was cold but clear but snow was missing with the temperature reading an unofficial 19 degrees at 7:30 a. m. yesterday. It never rose far above freezing, providing Boyertown with a "whitish" Christmas because snow which fell the past Tuesday did not melt.

One accident marred the day. Jean Ann Briel, 16, of 307 East Third street, was treated for a cut she received above her left eye as the result of an accident yesterday at 9:35 a. m. on East Philadelphia involving three cars.

Miss Briel was proceeding East on East Philadelphia avenue toward Gilbertsville when the car she was driving struck the automobile of Linwood Chittick, parked in front of his parents' home at 722 East Philadelphia avenue. Chittick's car then ran into another auto owned by Alfred Haddad and also parked before his residence at 724 East Philadelphia avenue. Damage to all three vehicles was estimated at \$300.

The left and right front fenders, bumper and grill on Miss Briel's auto was damaged as was the steering wheel against which she was thrown. The left rear fender, rear bumper and rear trunk door on Chittick's car were damaged, while Haddad's auto suffered damage to the right rear fender, rear bumper and trunk lid. Henry Groff, chief of police, investigated.

Nearly 2000 residents of Boyertown and vicinity attended dawn services yesterday morning in St. John's Evangelical Lutheran and Church of the Good Shepherd, Evangelical and Reformed, churches. Christmas was ushered into Boyertown officially at 5:30 a. m. when a brass choir played traditional Christmas airs from the church tower at the Lutheran church.

Fifteen children and adults from the Lutheran congregation spent yesterday afternoon at the Orphans' home, Topton, bringing Christmas cheer to the boys and girls there. Santa Claus distributed gifts as well as nearly 500 boxes of candy, 500 oranges and a bag of mixed nuts to each of the children there. The nuts were the gift of the Children of the Church, an organization of boys and girls from the congregation. The oranges and candy were

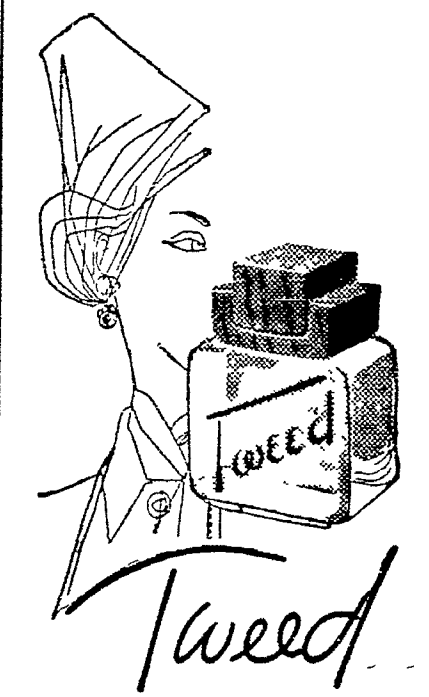
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About 250 children, members of the beginners' nursery and primary departments of the Lutheran Sunday school attended a Christmas party at the State theater on Wednesday afternoon, at which Mr. and Mrs. George H. Kline were host and hostess. Children's motion pictures were shown and Santa Claus distributed an orange and a candy bar to each child.

Telephone operators at Conestoga Telephone and Telegraph company offices in Boyertown reported traffic very heavy yesterday morning, and also heavy at times in the afternoon. No extra crews were in service up to 6 p. m. but standby operators were ready to supplement the regular staff if conditions got too heavy.

Daniel C. Brumbach Leaves \$20,788 Estate

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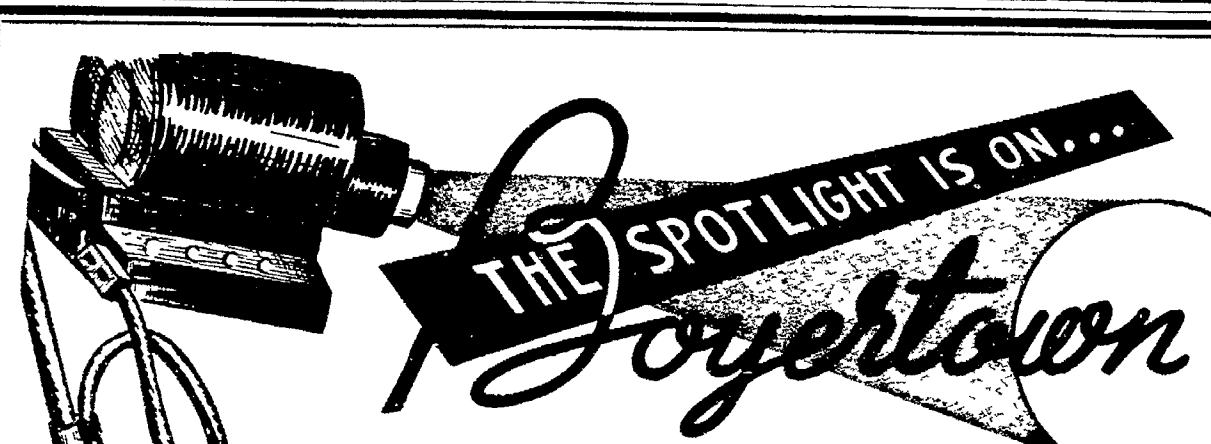
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Siamese Twins Die In Indianapolis; Surgery Abandoned

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 25 (P)—Death came on Christmas Day to the Speer Siamese twins — boys joined at the tops of their heads.

They died this morning about an hour apart in an Indiana university medical center hospital to which they were brought soon after they were born Nov. 29 to Mrs. Edward R. Speer of Bedford, Ind., by a caesarian section operation.

The babies had spent most of their short lives in an incubator lying face up and head to head.

Dr. Donald Casely, medical center director, said the babies had been declining steadily the past eight days, growing more listless and showing less than normal interest in their feeding.

For a few days after their birth, Dr. Casely said, they seemed to thrive on a milk diet and, except for the skull juncture, appeared as "otherwise normal babies."

Dr. Casely said the infants were examined by several doctors to determine whether they could be separated by surgery but all agreed the pair had a common brain tissue and that a separation operation would prove fatal.

The 31-year-old father, however, had clung to hope they could be separated and had told a reporter, "If there's one chance in a million that they can be separated I'll take that chance."

The 27-year-old mother now is nearly recovered from the operation performed when the twins were born.

The Speers have no other children. A son born to Mrs. Speer about two years ago died at birth.

8000 Enjoy Bathing At Florida Resort

MIAMI BEACH, Fla., Dec. 25 (P)—Life guards estimated that 8000 persons enjoyed a Christmas Day swim in the ocean here today.

Clouds hid the sun much of the time and the crowd was smaller than yesterday, when upward of 10,000 visitors flocked to the beach.

Today's peak crowd came at 3 p. m. when the air temperature was 73 and the surf 72.

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Talk Things Over



In corridor of Brooklyn, N. Y., Felony Court, Joan Lipman, 19, and Henry Urff, 20, talk over their tangled romance. Joan was arraigned on charge of abandoning her nine-day old daughter. In court, Urff admitted that he was the child's father. He told Magistrate Cullen that he would wed Joan.

Reds Report Increase In Natural Gas Output

LONDON, Dec. 25 (P)—Russia claimed today a 25.5 percent increase in natural gas production over 1946 output and 700 percent over its 1940 level.

The Moscow radio, quoting an article by Tass, Russian news agency, said the Soviet gas industry had fulfilled this year's program ahead of schedule.

The broadcast did not give any other figures.

LINFIELD

Mrs. Evelyn Albright, corr. E. E. Wells, del. Phone Linfield 3151.

Mr. and Mrs. John Grebe spent Saturday in Reading.

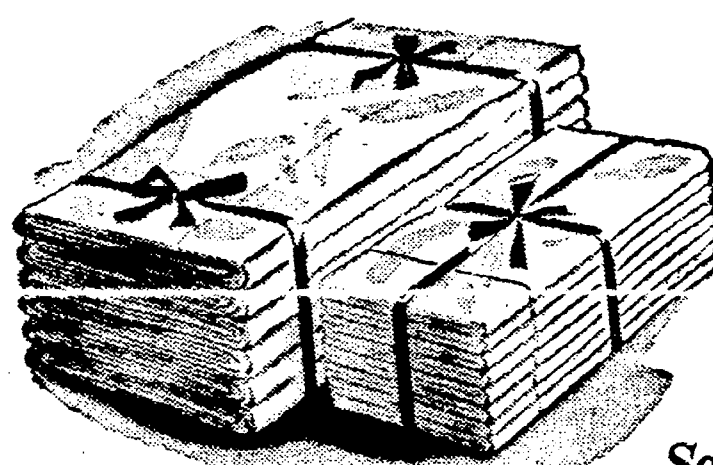
Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Yardley, of Overbrook, Philadelphia, visited the Rev. and Mrs. A. P. Albright.

The following children are confined to their homes with the chickenpox: Eleanor Kulp, Marilyn Bieber, Carol Ann Grater, Daly Schurr, Gladys Rumler and Donald Klemmer.

Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Reiter and daughter, Christine, visited Mr. and Mrs. John Wahl, of Boyertown.

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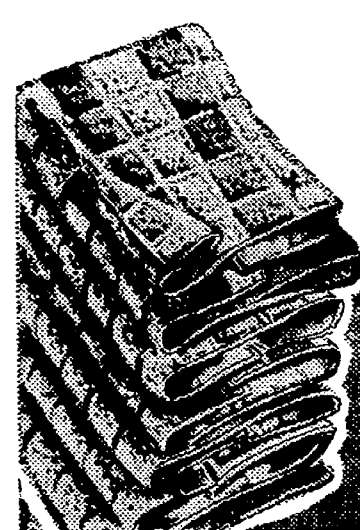


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Mr. Paul Spencer Engaged to Wed Miss Mildred Hutt

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Hutt, of 41 Boone court, Penn. Village, announce the engagement of their daughter, Mildred, to Mr. Paul A. Spencer, son of Mrs. Harry Spencer, 932 High street.

No wedding date has been announced.

Miss Hutt graduated from Pottstown High school, class of 1945 and is employed at Bethlehem steel company.

Mr. Spencer was graduated from Pottstown High school, class of 1942, and served in the Navy for three years. He is employed by the Pottstown Mercury.

Hospital Nurses Feted At Tea by Senior Auxiliary

The nurses of the Pottstown hospital were entertained by the senior auxiliary of the hospital at a holiday tea recently in the nurses home.

Mrs. Harold Cadmus and Mrs. Stanley Gross poured. Gifts were distributed by Mrs. Aaron Thalmer, who was dressed as Santa Claus.

Mrs. Roy Kohl, general chairman of the cheer committee, was in charge of the tea. Her aides were Mrs. D. D. Detar and Mrs. Russell Reifsnieder.

Others aiding were Mrs. S. Ernest Kulp, Mrs. William Manship and Mrs. Morris Mosheim.

Alda Marie Wenger, Clyde Scheib to Wed

Mr. and Mrs. W. Neff Wenger, Schuylkill road, announced the engagement of their daughter, Alda Marie Wenger, to Clyde Vernon Scheib, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Scheib, "Sunnyside Farm," Kimber-

ton road, both of Phoenixville RD.

Miss Wenger graduated from Spring City High school with the class of 1947 and is employed by Keystone Drawn Steel company, Spring City. Mr. Scheib, who graduated from the same high school with the 1943 class, is associated with his father in farming. He is master-elect of Kimberlon Grange.

Chicken Dinner Staged For Restaurant Employees

Employees of the Blossom restaurant were entertained at a Christmas dinner recently by Mr. and Mrs. William Bolton at the restaurant.

The dinner consisted of chicken. Mrs. Viola Gegan acted as Santa Claus and distributed gifts.

Gifts were also given to Mr. and Mrs. Bolton.

Present were Donald Wambach, Miss Betty Bowman, Mrs. Marguerite Seyler, Miss Rhea Shaner, Mrs. Clyde Ludwig, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Hess and daughter, Sandra; Mrs. Charles Shomo, Miss Doris Eschbach, Mrs. Gertrude Bewley, Mrs. Marian Leerman, Mrs. Bertha Snyder, Mr. and Mrs. Arlington Freese, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Bush, Mr. Jimmy Sherman and Mr. Waldo Feick.

Center Square Man To Wed Ann Kirkhoff

The engagement of Miss Anna M. Kirkhoff to Edmond R. Morgan was announced yesterday by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Kirkhoff, 801 Becon street.

Mr. Morgan is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Morgan, Center Square. No wedding date has been set.

Miss Kirkhoff is employed by the Bell Telephone company and Mr. Morgan is employed by Smith's Pie Baking company.

YOUR BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARIES

TODAY'S HOROSCOPE

LEARN to rely on your own judgment, as it is good and will bring you much success. You are an entertaining person, intelligent, fun-loving, and have marked literary ability. You are also far-sighted, conservative, good company, a strong lover and you take a deep interest in your home.

Today
Charles Auman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Auman, 115 South Evans street.

David Reidenour, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Reidenour, 610 North Charlotte street.

Zelda Clair Geyer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Geyer, 32 Boone court, Penn. Village.

Nancy Reider, daughter of Mrs. Mary Reider, 753 Sheridan street.

David Hane son of Mr. and Mrs. John Hane, 345 Chestnut street.

Sera Jane Allen daughter of Mrs. Esther Allen, 18 North Hanover street.

Jeanne Walker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Walker, 281 Master street.

Ralph E. Kinzer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph M. Kinzer 30 East Second street.

Richard Bacchi, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bacchi, 325 King street.

Sandra Oxenford, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Oxenford, 217 Johnson street.

Charles Gephart, Pottstown RD 4.

Irving Mahr Jr. Sanatoga.

Hazel McDonald, Boyertown RD 1.

Students Enjoy Party At Business School

Mistletoe, evergreens, and a Christmas tree decorated a classroom of Pottstown Business school recently when the students' committee staged a party.

Gifts were given to the guests, carols sung and games played.

A buffet luncheon was served. Persons present were Katherine Tiernan, Helen Stouss, Norman Hess, Arline Walt, Marcelle Carber, Anna Murga, Barbara Fred, Shirley Potts, Richard Dimini, Dorothy Trainer, Virginia Wall, Rozella Worobetz, Beatrice Wagner, Morris Shane, Wanda Shane, Russell Trainer, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Quigg, Thelma McCulley, Frances Highley, Anne Wallace, Bette Jordan and Paul Edwards.

Also Betty Donohue, Eleanor Slaybough, Emma Rose Hayes, Charles Kelley, Lorraine Houck, Jack Dorang, Forrest Ash, Anna Mae Frohneiser, Harvey Yost and Eddie DeBeet.

And Mr. and Mrs. Fred E. Kelley, Miss Jean Bassett and Miss Suzanne Kelley.

Betrothal Revealed At Christmas Dinner

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hopple, of 826 High street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Doris Nagle to Mr. Carl Keller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Keller, 51 Edge-

wood street.

The betrothal was announced yesterday at a dinner. No wedding date has been set.

The bride-elect is employed at the Bell Telephone company and Mr. Keller is employed by Doehler-Jarris corporation.

Debutantes At Christmas Ball



Raising their arms as they sway to the rhythm of the music, a group of debutantes make a pretty picture as they take part in the "flower waltz" at the Debutante cotillion and Christmas ball at a New York hotel. Held for the benefit of the New York infirmary, 130 girls and their escorts attended.

Dolores Etzel, Francis J. Koren Become Engaged

On Christmas eve Mr. and Mrs. Michael J. Etzel, of 52 West Fifth street announced the engagement of their daughter, Dolores, to Francis J. Koren, son of Mrs. Mary Koren, 330 Cherry street.

Both were graduated from Pottstown High school. Miss Etzel is employed as assistant secretary to the headmaster at The Hill school.

Mr. Koren is employed at Spicer Manufacturing corporation.

No wedding date has been set.

PERSONALS

Lemon grass is used widely in the manufacture of perfumes soaps and cosmetics and also is used as an insect repellent and in the making of some furniture polishes.

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WEDDINGS

BEATRICE FAIRFAX'S

Advice to the Lovelorn Husband Sults, Wife Coaxes

THERE is nothing more maddening to live with than a peevish partner—a husband or wife who subjects the other half of the family to recurrent ex-hibitions of the sulks.

Obviously, of course, anyone who indulges in anything of the sort has never outgrown his childhood. Mature men and women simply do not act that way. But if one is married to a grownup child, the going can get tough.

One of my correspondents writes me that she has put up with this sort of thing from her husband for 23 years. She is now 47 and he is a year older. When they were first married, her husband's "spells of peevishness" lasted as she puts it, "two or three days." Now he can keep it up for a week at a time. "I feel like an old dog someone has kicked, when I cook for a man who is not talking to me," she writes.

The most baffling thing about her problem is that she has never, in all the years of her marriage, been able to discover any reason for these silent grooves. "The spells seem to come all at once," she says. "He may get up in the morning ready to blow up, and if he can't find anything else to fuss about, it will be only that I have bought an extra can of milk, or he will sit down at the table and get mad because the plates and things are too close to him. When he acts like that, you know what's coming; probably six or seven days of peevishness."

This couple has three children, a boy 21, who is at home helping on the farm, a girl 19, who is away at school, and a little boy of 10. With the daughter and the little boy, the father apparently never finds fault, but the son who helps him on the

farm gets the same silent treatment that is accorded to his mother.

To top it all off, when guests come to the house, the husband can't bring himself to treat them decently, if their visits happen to coincide with a period in which he has decided to sulk.

With 23 years of all this behind her, and the prospect that unless some miracle happens, there may still be another 23 years of the same ahead of her, my correspondent who signs herself "The Fuzzled Lady"—a most moderate way of putting things—confesses that she is at her wit's end.

Now even though such infantile behavior could scarcely be justified for any reason, it might possibly be explained on the score of ill health. But it seems hard to believe that there could be any physical ailment that has remained undiscovered for 23 years. It is far more likely that this man, in common with all the rest of the world, has days when he feels, as my mother used to say, "all out of sorts," and has developed the self-control to conceal the fact and go about his business as usual.

Anyone who behaves like a child should be treated like a child and modern baby doctors agree that the best way to handle such childish displays of temper is to ignore them. To coax, or plead, or try to persuade either child, or childish man or woman, out of an ugly mood, only serves to intensify it, making the ill-tempered one get a lot of satisfaction

out of the attention he thus receives. I suggest that this wife try this plan, since 23 years of coaxing and pleading have got her nowhere. If she and the older son simply act as though the husband and father were not there at all when he retires into the silence he may, in time, get less satisfaction out of doing so and decide to behave differently.

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Yesterday

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brown, of Elverson, Chester county.

Helen Arlene Mauger, Spring City, Engaged

Mr. and Mrs. Edward F. Mauger, of 769 Main street, Royersford, announced the engagement of their daughter, Helen Arlene, to Mr. Richard C. DeWalt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard L. DeWalt, of 321 Biene street, Spring City.

Miss Mauger graduated from Royersford High school class of 1944, and is employed as a dental assistant for a Royersford dentist. Mr. DeWalt was graduate from Spring City High school, class of 1944 and is employed by the Jones Motor company, Spring City.

No wedding date has been set.

Pleasant Run Club Holds Christmas Party

Recitations were heard and songs sung by children at a recent Christmas party staged by the Mothers' club of Pleasant Run, in the grange hall at New Hanover.

Miss Jo-hus Kulo and Mrs. Samuel Schultz were in charge of the party. Santa Claus was present and gave gifts, candy and oranges to all persons present.

Several members staged a skit and sang carols. Miss. Charles Rankin, pianist, accompanied them.

Due to the attention he thus receives I suggest that this wife try this plan, since 23 years of coaxing and pleading have got her nowhere. If she and the older son simply act as though the husband and father were not there at all when he retires into the silence he may, in time, get less satisfaction out of doing so and decide to behave differently.

Social Calendar

Hook college club—Meeting tonight at 6:30 o'clock at Lakeside inn. Dr. Henry I. Stahl, president of the college, will be the guest speaker.

WOODROW W. UNDERKOFFLER To Wed Florence Schultze

Mr. and Mrs. Howard A. Schultze, of Creamery, announce the engagement of their daughter, Florence, to Mr. Woodrow W. Underkoffler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Underkoffler, of Grateford.

Miss Schultze graduated from Scrantonville High school and the Pennsylvania Hospital School of Nursing and is employed at the Lyng-In-Hospital, Philadelphia.

Mr. Underkoffler attended Scrantonville High school, served in the Navy and is employed at the Superior Tissue company, of Collegeville.

No wedding date has been set.

ELLIS SHERMAN Betrothal Revealed

Miss Anna M. Ellis, of 667 Queen street, announces the engagement of her daughter, Jeanne M., to Mr. Harold J. Sherman, 629 Race street, Stowe.

No wedding date has been set.

Helen Urban Engaged To Robert H. Mest

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Urban Jr., of Pine Forge, announce the engagement of their daughter, Helen E., to Robert H. Mest, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Mest, Pottstown RD 4.

The engagement was revealed at a turkey supper last night at the home of Miss Urban.

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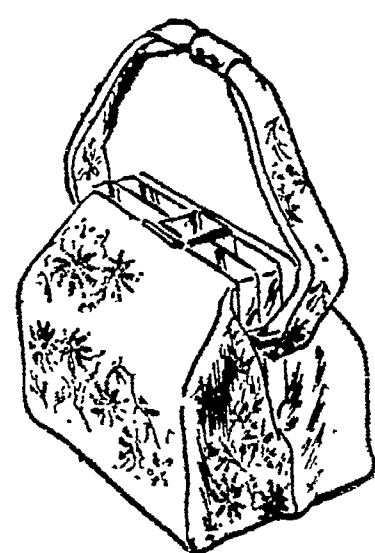
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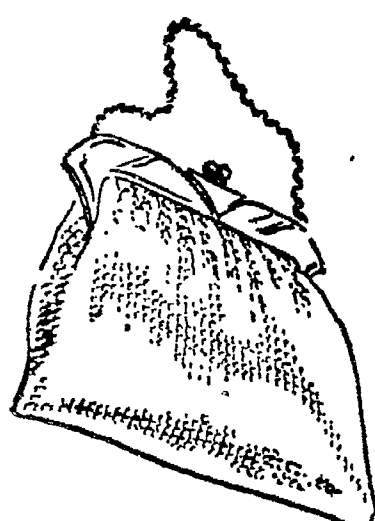
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BORO CELEBRATES —

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opening a lazy afternoon in warm, happy homes.

Partial proof that Christmas is a home and church holiday was furnished by Area State police, who reported that traffic was medium to light during the day, and by local police, whose log was light.

Trains and buses of the Reading Railroad company system ran on the curtailed holiday schedule, with traffic on the light side, except for the day before Christmas, when last-minute visitors were arriving to spend the holidays at home, and delays were no greater than usual.

Captain Merle Cox, of the Salvation Army, was prepared for emergency Christmas calls, but none came. "We were all ready," he declared, "but nothing developed."

In the basement of the Holy Trinity Catholic church, the Holy Trinity Catholic club sponsored its annual Christmas party in the afternoon, with 212 youngsters present to enjoy the fun and receive their presents.

After a program of appropriate movies, 19 volunteers took part in a singing contest, each giving his all in a Christmas carol, while Margie Koval accompanied at the piano.

The winners, each of whom received prizes, were Lucille Elias, Peter Hadley, Agnes Parvanski, Margaret Barlos, Monica Katch, Joseph Ondo and Mary Plosko.

All the children at the party were given elaborately-wrapped silver dollars, a box of candy, an orange and a candy cane.

W. Carroll Hadley Jr. led the group in singing. Stephen J. Vagasky was the master of ceremonies, and Michael A. Kovach, president of the club, was in charge of the affair.

Working with Kovach were George A. Pipko, George W. Zelenick, Andrew Harmon, Joseph M. Lukas, Michael S. Barlos, John Yarusko, Joseph J. Zueno, John A. Duka Jr. and Stephen Pirochak.

The boys and girls spent the two hours that the party lasted at a high pitch of excitement, for they knew that Christmas belongs to them.

The Christmas that the stranger was looking for was all around him, but at first he had not looked in the right places. For the day was not in the streets; it did not publicize its presence with noise and ostentatious uproar.

It was in the hearts and minds of all the people.

PALESTINE —

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care quarter of Jerusalem. One person was killed and three wounded in the clash.

Six Jews riding in a bus were wounded when two grenades were hurled at the vehicle in a Jerusalem suburb.

Arab road blocks where thrown up in the fashionable Jerusalem residential quarter of Katamon and Arabs checked identity papers of travelers.

Two Jewish men and a girl were wounded by rifle fire in the Jaffa-Tel Aviv area. A ten-year-old Arab girl was wounded in the Arab village of Jabalan.

Three British police and two airborne troops were wounded in the streets of Haifa.

Arabs captured guns and bullets in a raid on a police post at a British army camp.

Three Jews were reported injured seriously when a bomb was thrown into Jaffa prison courtyard while Jewish prisoners were taking their morning walk.

Occupants of two trains exchanged fire on the Lydda-Haifa main line. No damage or casualties resulted.

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Explosion Victim Gets Plasma



His face terribly burned in an explosion in the Solvent Recovery plant of the Celanese corporation, Newark, N. J., William Labus, a worker, lies in the St. James hospital, his face swathed in bandages while a nurse administers plasma. The blast blew off the wall of a five-story building, causing serious injury to 14. For a time many others were thought trapped. Rescue work was delayed by heavy soap fumes.

'CYCLIST KILLED —

(Continued From Page One)

Mitchell Phoenixville RD 1; Mrs. Mae Alackness, Spring City RD, and Mrs. Evelyn Biobst, Pottstown RD 1.

Three young couples were slightly injured early this morning when the car they were riding in skidded on some ice and overturned on Ringing hill.

Harold Missimer 19 517 Hanover street was driver of the car which is owned by his brother Hal, a passenger.

The driver said he was going north up the hill on North Charlotte street when the vehicle skidded, went out of control and turned over at least once he said.

A passing motorist picked up the occupants and drove them to the Pottstown hospital.

The only one admitted was Raymond, 17, of 524 N. 2nd street, who complained of a sore back and shoulder. He will be X-rayed today. The others were treated for superficial cuts and discharged.

The accident occurred at 12:20 a. m. The car was badly smashed.

In another accident late Wednesday night, the car of John P. Logan, Philadelphia, was ex-

tensively damaged when lights of an oncoming car blinded him and he crashed into a telephone pole and a parked car a mile north of Ringing hill.

Logan told police of the Collegeville sub-station that he hit the pole on the south side of the highway as he was going east on Route 422 and veered off crashing next into the parked car of Dr. Edward H. Platt, Collegeville, also on the south side of the road.

Police estimated damage to Logan's car at \$600 and said that only the right rear fender of Dr. Platt's vehicle was dented.

The accident occurred at 11:30 o'clock.

The seven nations in the Arab League are Saudi Arabia, Egypt, Iraq, Trans-Jordan, Syria, Lebanon and Yemen.

Former Premier Tojo

Apologizes for Defeat

TOKYO Dec 26 (AP)—Hideki Tojo, on trial for his life as a war criminal, took the witness stand today and sat silent while his Japanese attorney started reading a 65,000-word deposition in which the former premier of Japan apologized to his emperor for losing the war, that he defiantly declared was fought in self-defense.

TOGO QUESTIONED

TOKYO Friday, Dec 26 (AP)—Su William Weoo president of the international war crimes tribunal, cross-examined ex-foreign minister Shigenori Togo on behalf of 11 Allied nations today.

226 Persons Killed

in holiday accidents

By The Associated Press

Violent deaths claimed the lives of 226 persons during the first 24 hours of the Christmas holiday. One hundred and fifty-four persons were killed in traffic mishaps while 72 others were added to the death toll through miscellaneous causes. Thirteen of the victims were Pennsylvanians.

The national safety council had predicted that 400 would die in traffic accidents over the four-day holiday weekend. The council said the figures could be kept down if the weather turned bad explaining that poor driving conditions would force motorists to drive with extreme caution or leave automobiles at home.

500 ARRESTED —

somewhere in Albania. He said Greek troops in the north had found no traces of such a regime established there.

Other Greek military men have said they believed Vlachos has his headquarters in Yugoslavia.

Premier Sophos predicted that the Communist state probably would be recognized by Albania, Yugoslavia and Bulgaria.

(The Communist press predicted in Paris today that the Soviet satellite states would extend recognition to the Communist state—a move interpreted as opening the way of more aid from those countries to the guerilla forces).

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President Visits Bedridden Patients In Two Hospitals

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25 (P) — President Truman spent a typically American Christmas with his family—opening gifts around the decorated tree and later sitting down to a turkey dinner with trummins. But he left the White House twice — first to drop in unexpectedly on bedridden patients at the Naval hospital in Bethesda, Md., and the Army's Walter Reed hospital in Washington and then to admire a 15-foot Christmas tree at the home of drivers of White House cars.

Besides touring wards in the Naval hospital, Mr. Truman paid brief visits to patients including one of his secretaries, William D. Hassett, former Secretary of State Cordell Hull and Admiral Ernest J. King.

Later he walked a half mile through the crisp air to the White House garage, where the drivers' tree stood. He shook hands all around, exchanged holiday greetings, and walked back to the White House.

There a number of relatives were gathered to take part in the first Christmas celebration which the President, Mrs. Truman and their daughter Margaret have held in the White House.

The State department's Voice of America was broadcasting to the world Mr. Truman's Christmas eve tree-lighting message to the nation, in which he promised that this country will "do more" to help the "less fortunate" in other lands.

"With the return of hope to these peoples," the President said, "will come renewed faith — faith in the dignity of the individual and the brotherhood of man."

SUMNEYTOWN

Charles Rogers, delivery. The Altar guild committee to serve in St. John's Lutheran church during the months of January, February and March consists of Mrs. Jacob B. Godshall, Mrs. Kenneth Snyder, Katie Dauman and Mrs. Wayne R. Bardman.

There will be a special meeting of St. John's Lutheran church council on Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock. Friedens Union Sunday school presented their Christmas program Sunday evening.

Betty M. Jones of Green Lane, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Russell G. Jones became the bride of Harold F. Bower of East Greenville, on Saturday afternoon in St. John's Lutheran church, Sumneytown, the Rev. E. L. Angstadt, officiating. Mrs. Ida Johnson, aunt of the bride, was matron of honor and Paul F. Bower, brother of the groom, was best man. Mrs. Harold F. Bower was formerly employed at the Valley Bag, Pennsburg, and Mr. Bower is employed at the Sanitary company, East Greenville. A reception was held at the Red Hill hotel after the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Bower will be home to their many friends in East Greenville.

The Sumneytown Lutheran Parish choir was host at a Christmas party to the church councils and officers of the various organizations of the parish on Wednesday evening, Dec. 17. During the course of the evening the Rev. E. L. Angstadt and family were the recipients of a purse.

Words of appreciation of the work accomplished by the Angstadt family in the church, school and community were spoken by the following persons: Clarence Maier spoke in behalf of St. Luke's church council, Joseph Kramlik spoke in behalf of St. John's church council, Mrs. Eva Richard for St. Luke's missionary society, Mrs. Wayne Bardman for St. John's Women of the church, J. Willard Schoelkopf for the Young Peoples' RWA society of St. John's, Mrs. Kenneth Snyder for St. John's Altar guild, Wilbur Reihman for St. John's Brotherhood, Mrs. John Hunsberger and Mrs. Charles Mutter spoke in behalf of the Parish choir and made the presentation of the purse.

Vocal selections were rendered by Helene A. Nestler, Constance Prommer, Martha Imbody and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Staudenmaier of Philadelphia. A trumpet solo was rendered by Catherine Hendricks accompanied by Jane Straube. Sly Slants of happenings of choir members were presented by Rudolph Holler with Franklin Roth making additional contributions. Mrs. Paul R. Nestler was heard in two humorous selections entitled "The Tale of Two Figs" and "The Bride's Dream." Paul Nestler played Christmas carols on his saxophone.

Pastor Angstadt led the group in the singing of Christmas carols with Elsie Renninger as the accompanist. There were 125 persons in attendance.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Casnatt and family, moved to Farmington, N. C., where they expect to spend a week with Mr. Casnatt's parents.

Constance Breuer, daughter of Charles Breuer has been ill with influenza for a week.

SALFORD

Mrs. Charles Force, cor. E. & Y. 3494. Mrs. Paul Radlach, who had the misfortune of having her eye badly lacerated by a piece of wood, is improving.

Mrs. Kathrine Sanders and brother Frank Schumaker, spent a week-end at their cottage. Donald Cope and Barry Macken, who were on the sick list, are able to go to school again.

Mr. and Mrs. George Baghurst visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Lachlan, at Fort Washington, where they attended the annual

Shirley Hartzell, daughter of Mrs. Pearl Hartzell has been on the sick list.

500 MOSLEMS REPULSED
NEW DELHI, Dec. 25 (P) — The defense ministry said tonight that Indian troops, backed by warplanes, had killed or wounded 500 Moslem invaders of Kashmir state in the area northwest of Jammu during the past four days.

State Youth Is Killed When Car Strikes Pole

NIAGARA FALLS, N. Y., Dec. 25 (P) — Francis P. O'Hara, 22, was killed today when his automobile struck a pole. A companion, Charles Moore, 23, suffered a possible broken neck and was described as in "fair" condition.

O'Hara, who had been employed here for the past several months, formerly lived in West Pittston, Pa., where the body was sent for burial.

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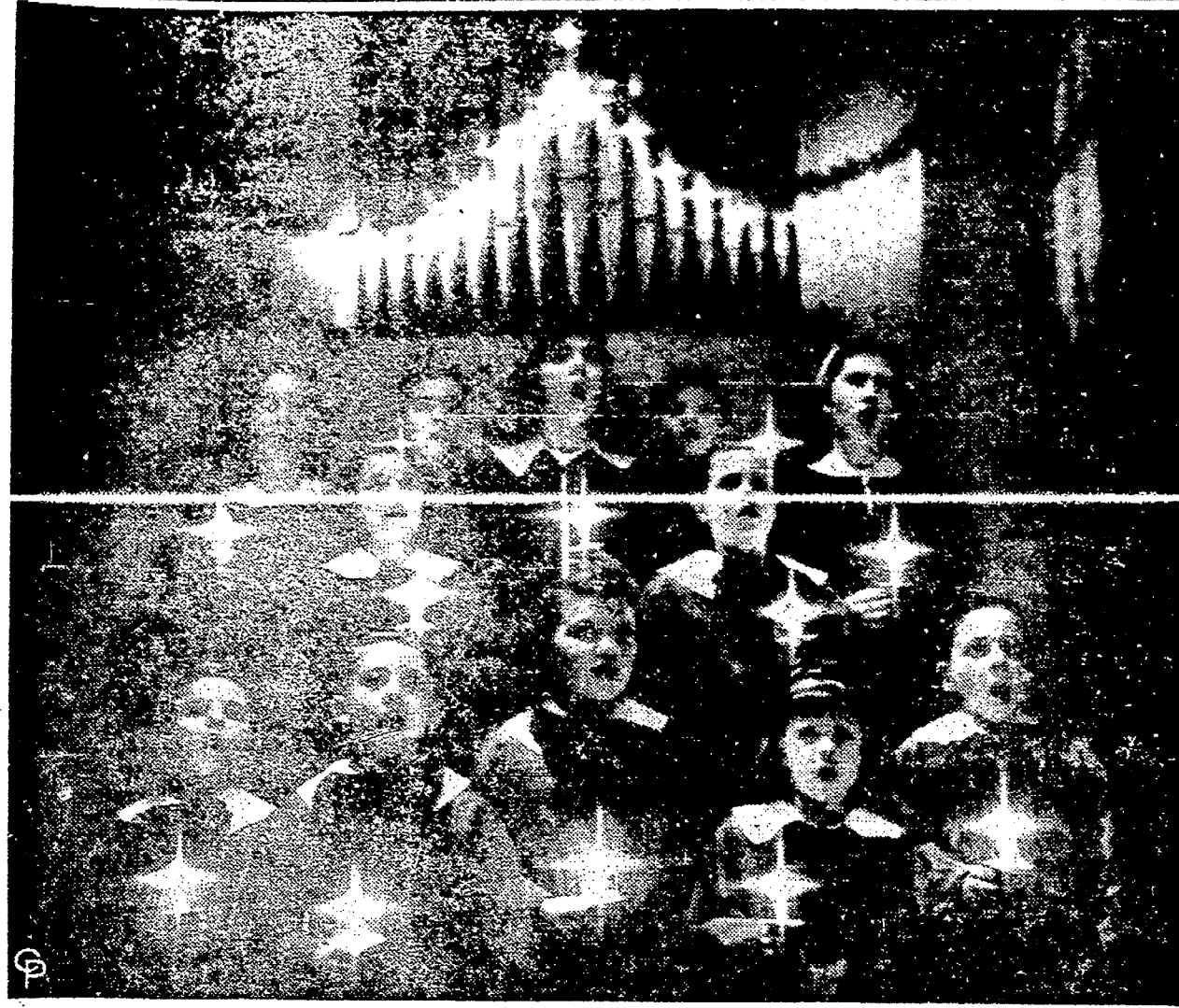
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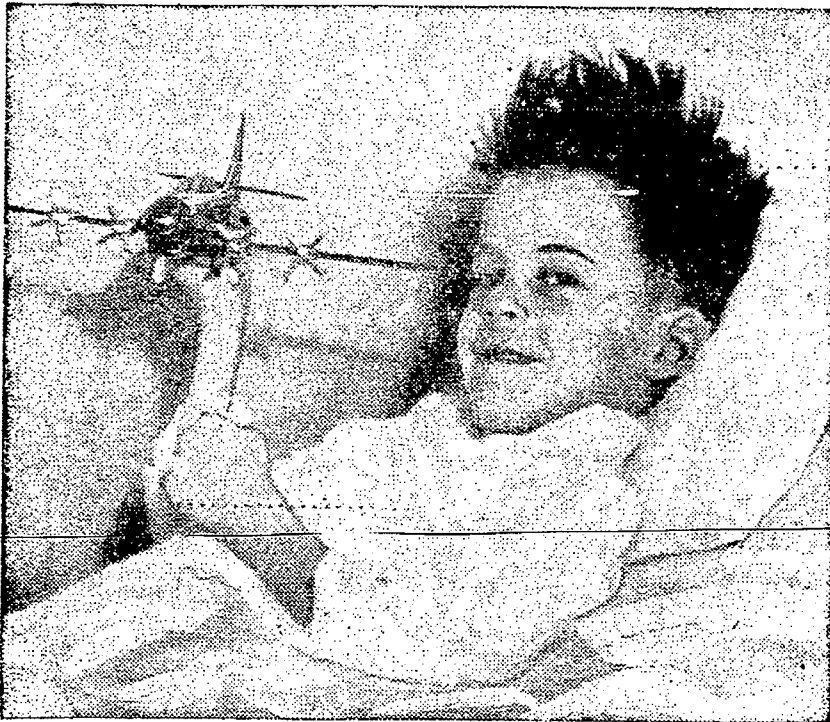
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AROUND THE WORLD THROUGH CAMERA'S EYE



THROUGHOUT THE CHRISTIAN WORLD, children's voices join again in hymns and carols of Christmastide. Penetrating the din of great cities or soft on the still air of remote countryside come the favorite anthems—"Hark, the herald angels sing—" or "Joy to the world, the Lord has come—". Above, a typical group of young choristers rehearse for the annual candlelight services at Crawford Memorial Methodist Church in New York. Each light appears to have become a star as the result of a cameraman's ingenuity. (International)



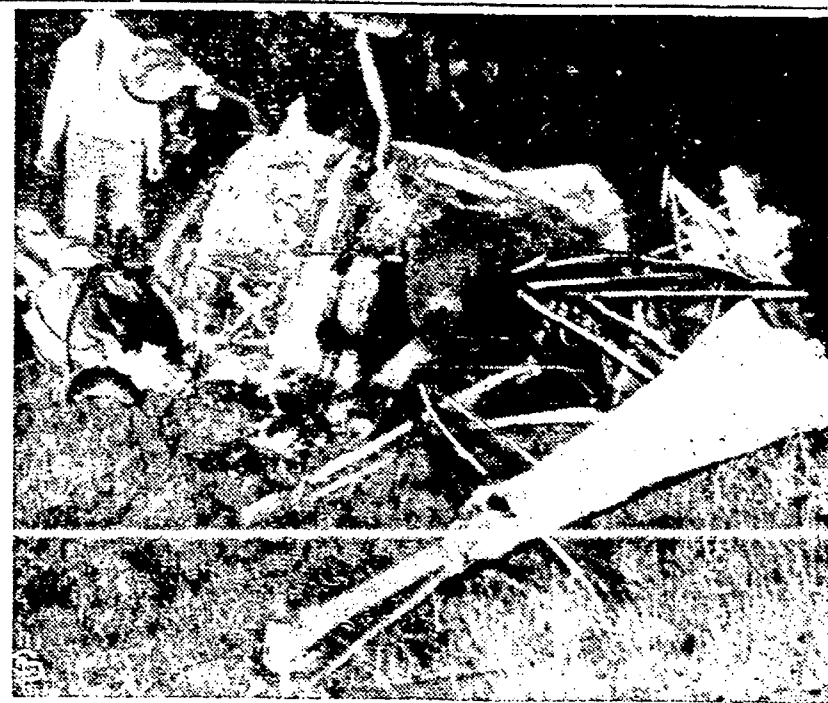
ON LEARNING THAT HE MAY go home for the holidays, Forrest "Nubbins" Hoffman, 6, smiles from his Denver, Colo., hospital bed. His mother, Mrs. Marshall Hoffman of Cheyenne, said that it is the first time that "Nubbins" has smiled in the many months he has spent in hospitals. He is still under treatment for a kidney ailment which brought an early Christmas party for the boy in 1944, when it was believed he could not live until Dec. 25 of that year. The courageous boy must have his third major operation some time in January. (International Soundphoto)



THE MORAL OF THIS PICTURE IS—never carry a loaded rifle on a moving vehicle. Armando Molina, 16, San Francisco, tried it as he started on a hunting trip. He boarded a bus and rested his gun in his lap. Suddenly the bus hit a bump. The gun was discharged and the slug tore through the hunter's shoulder. An ambulance steward is shown attending the wounded youth as spectators peer through a bus window. (International)



ON RETURN LEG of a cruise to Jamaica, 82-year-old John Antle, retired minister of Vancouver, B.C., and Lucy Varty, 20, a former member of his congregation, arrive in Los Angeles in their 48-foot yawl. A third member of the crew, 21-year-old Audrey Sherlock, remained in Panama when she tired of battling seas. (International)



WRECKAGE IS ALL THAT REMAINS of this helicopter after it crashed and burned in Portland, Oregon. The accident was seen by a party of friends and the family of one of the men who perished in the craft. The victims were Sam C. Jackson, Jr., 33, pilot of the plane, and Ambrose M. Cronin. Both were residents of Portland. (International Soundphoto)



AFTER SAVING his master's life, "Tanzer," a Seeing-Eye Boxer, nuzzles blind Harry Strong, 50, Wyndach, N. Y., in the Bay Shore, N. Y., hospital. Nurse Agnes Powell looks on. Hospital authorities are unable to get the German Boxer to leave Strong's side. Although the dog pulled Strong from the path of a car, the auto struck the blind man a glancing blow, breaking his shoulder and severely bruising him. (International)



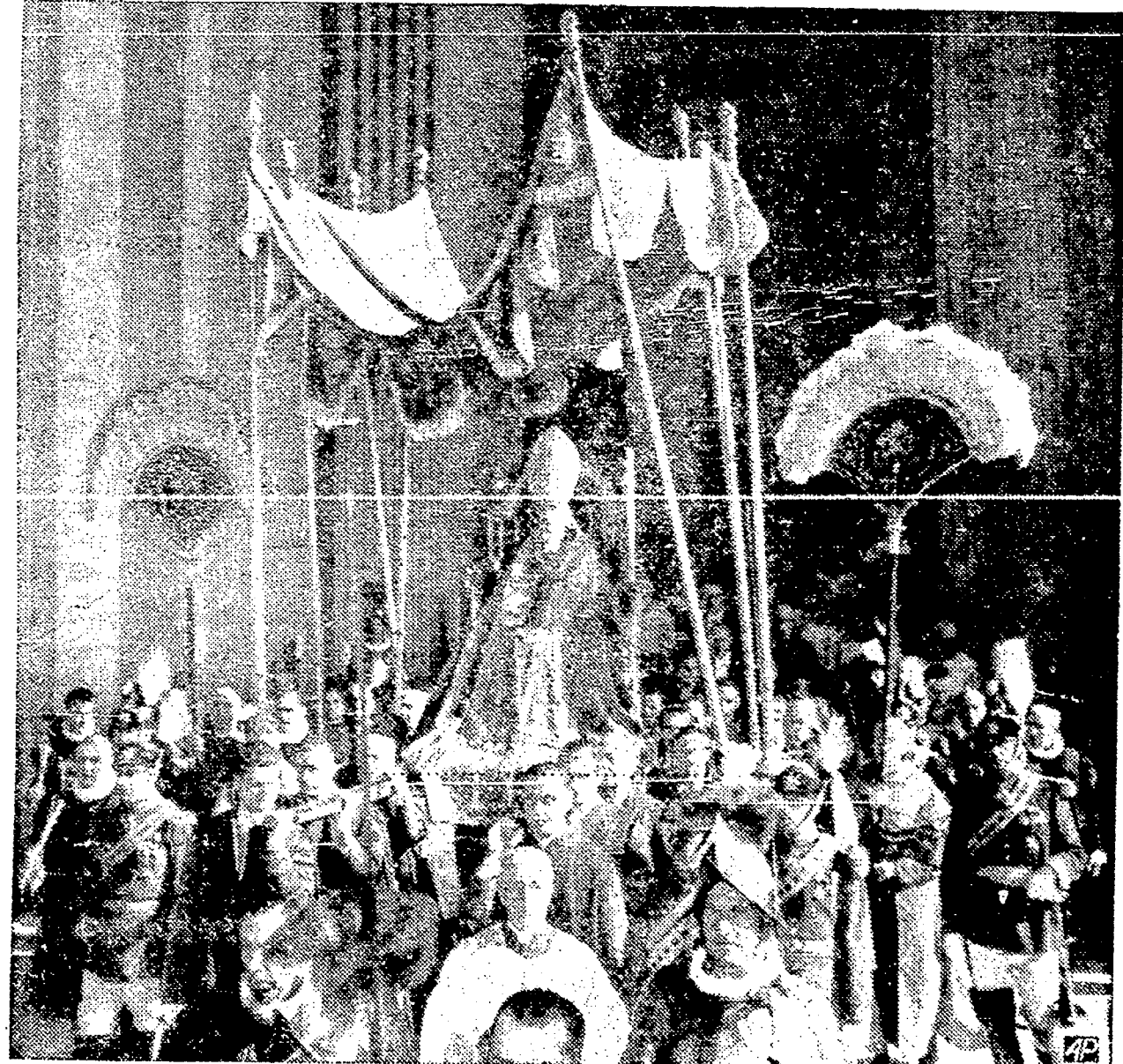
George H. Earle, (above) former minister to Bulgaria, said in Philadelphia that the Marshall plan to aid Europe is certain of failure because the Russians may occupy the whole of Europe at any time.



READY TO MARCH on the capitol to lobby for continued rent controls, more than 100 high-cost-of-living fighters from greater New York arrive in Washington. It is the first of several large groups from many sections of the nation who are expected to join in registering their complaints with congressional leaders. (International)



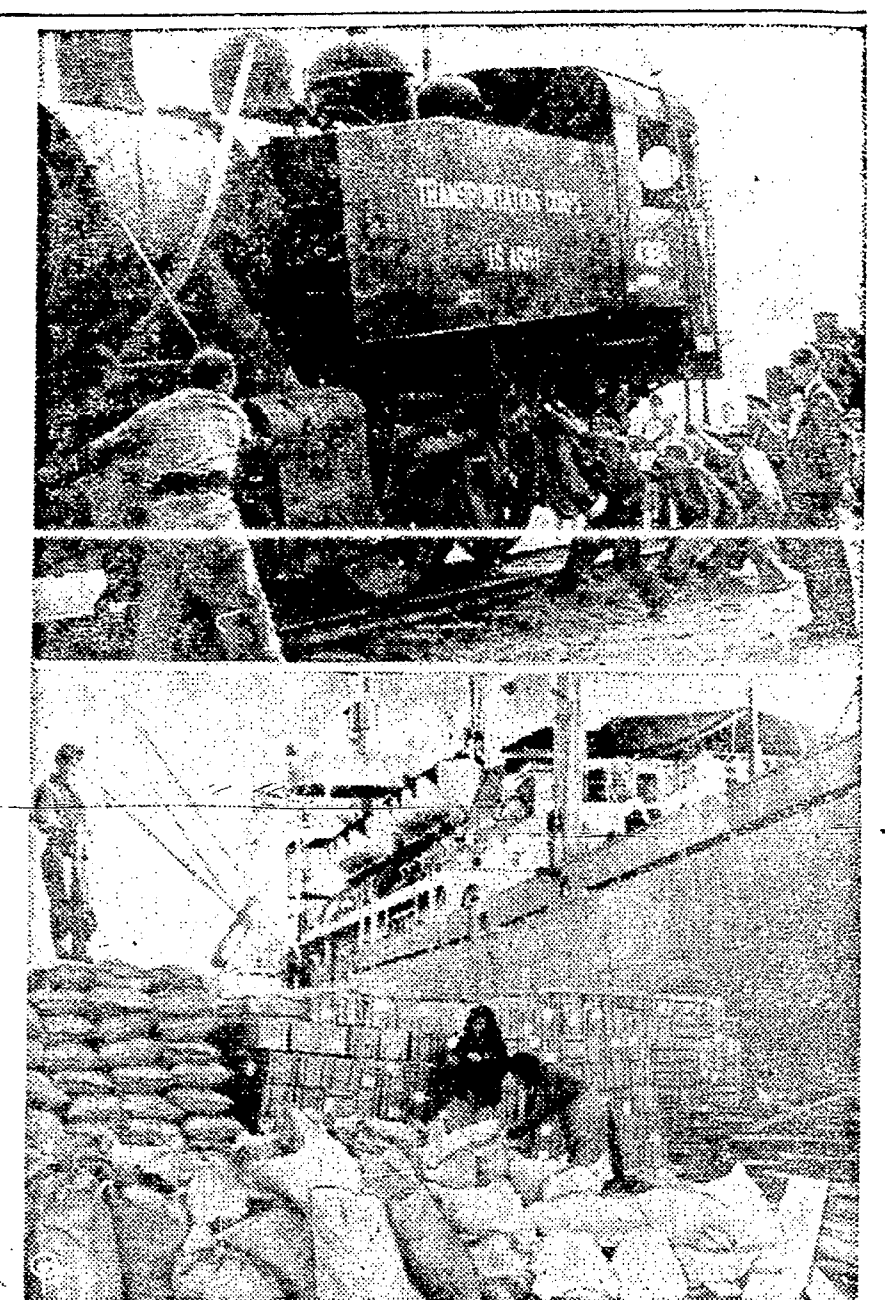
Russia's new Ambassador to the United States, Alexandre S. Paniushkin (above), 42, is shown on his arrival in New York aboard the S. S. Mauretania. He replaces Nicolai V. Novikov, who was recalled to Moscow in July for "reasons of ill health."



POPE ATTENDS CEREMONIES—Pope Pius XII, wearing mitre, is carried into St. Peter's Cathedral, Rome, in throne, flanked by Nobel Guards, for ceremonies canonizing Joao de Brito, Portuguese; Giuseppe Cafasso and Bernardino Realino, Italians.



AN ORPHAN at the International Children's Colony at Pestalozzi Village, Trogen, Switzerland, helps carry in one of the boxes of Christmas ornaments sent them by the boys of Children's Village, Dobbs Ferry, N. Y. The decorations, first ever seen by most of the homeless European children, were flown to Switzerland. (International)



PART OF THE 200,000 TONS of relief supplies, and 85,000 tons of military supplies sent to Greece since the American Mission started its work there, a locomotive (top) is unloaded at Salonika and placed on rails. At bottom, a soldier guards a shipment of military supplies against possible sabotage. Food, medical supplies and other necessities are arriving in the stricken country in a steady stream. (International)



AFTER BEING hospitalized for 18 months in the Shriners Hospital in Philadelphia, Jimmy Carrick, 10, of Pittsburgh, Pa., is able to walk again, unassisted. He was suffering from tuberculosis of the spine. The plucky boy, dressed in his official seabee mascot uniform, salutes as he holds tight to his sea bag and toy teddy bear. (International)



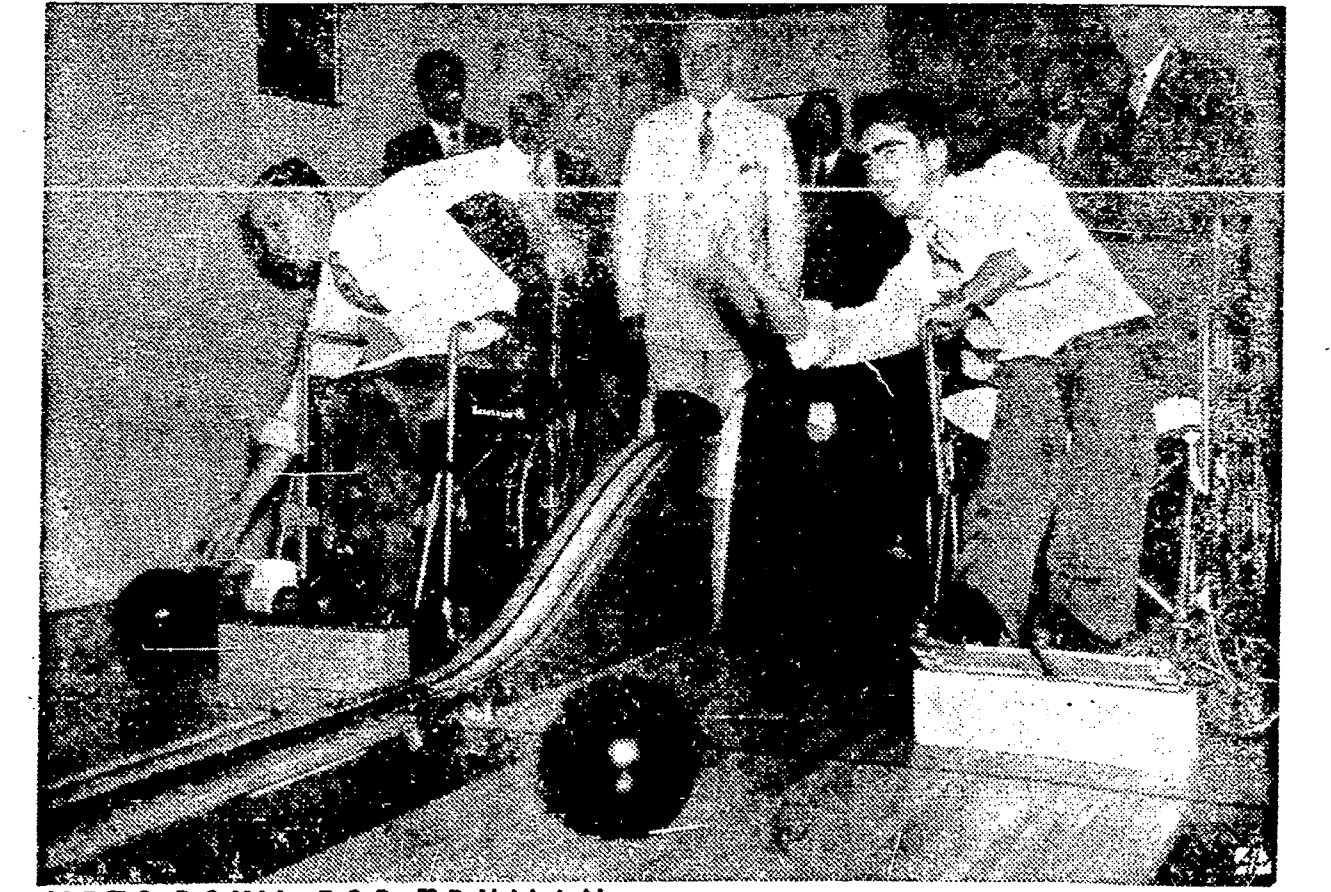
AMERICA'S YOUNGEST naturalized citizens, Urania and Mary Mistiloglou are shown with their mother, Georgia, in Chicago's U. S. Federal Court where they "got their papers." They were born in Greece of an American mother and a Greek father. Their father is now serving with the Greek army and will join them on his release. (International)



BIG BOY—Willard Parker of the films holds his husky son, Walter Van Eps, who was born last Feb. 13.



ENVOY AND QUEEN—Maj. Gen. L. R. LaFleche, (left) Canadian ambassador to Greece, talks with Queen Frederika at the village of Saint Satira, north of Athens, during the inauguration by King Paul of highway reconstruction work.



VETS BOWL FOR TRUMAN—President Truman watches a bowling exhibition at the White House by disabled veterans G. A. Kopp, Spokane, and L. L. Ladouceur, Detroit.

Trojans Tackle Alumni Combination Tonight

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SPORTS

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OLD-TIMERS 5 MAY START TILT FOR GRADUATES

Eppehimer Named Captain Of Seeders' Combination In ABC Sponsored Contest

"The worm will turn!" That's the way Jerry Seeders summed up his squad's feeling for the basketball game tonight against Pottstown High school's Alumni. The Alumni, ready to go after a hard workout yesterday, prepared its repertoire of basketball activities for display at the local Franklin street temple of sports at 8:15 o'clock.

"We've been getting kicked around too long," the Alumni head man said, "and we are really tired of this one." "With the exception of last year, we haven't won for almost 20 years."

The proceeds of this annual struggle, sponsored by the American Business Club, will be used to purchase drinking fountains for the Pottstown War Memorial.

Do Good Pottstown High men, aid last night that he hoped it would be a good game and that he is anxious to see how the lay-off at Christmas has affected his young stalwarts.

Seeders with four complete playing aggregations at his disposal, hasn't committed himself on a starting lineup but he has thrown a number of broad hints which indicate that five of the eight "Old Timers" will take the court when the initial foot of the official's whistle sends the mad scramble officially on its way.

Tonight's encounter will bring back long lost memories for many of Pottstown's rabid sports fans as fellows like Deitch Reicheiderfer, John LeVeille, Ray Eppehimer, Don Riggs, Tommy Reinhold, Eddie Hartenstein, Woody Ludwig and David "Patsy" Mauger perform in a manner that has been slowed down somewhat by the weary pages of time which have been turned since these men were cavorting for the institution of higher learning.

All signs, with assistance from the grapevine, point to a team of Reicheiderfer and LeVeille at forwards, Eppehimer, who was named captain, at center, and Riggs and Reinhold at the guard positions.

As his number two team, Seeders has named Hartenstein, Ludwig, Mauger, Herb Drumheller and Harold Shaner while he plans to counter with his younger element when the "Old Timers" forget their enthusiasm and remember their age.

On the third team, which is dotted with young fellows, Seeders has Chuck Klaus, Ed Kovach, Claude Reinhardt, Jack Kurtz and Bobby Russell.

For a clincher, if that be necessary, the Alumni team has a star-studded combination that is hard to beat. George Mitro and Elwood Schaeffer of Lock Haven State Teachers college, Jack Longaker, Lafayette; Henry Stofko, West Chester State Teachers college and Bobby Martz, Pennsylvania Military college.

For the Trojans, seeking their third victorious outing in five starts in this infant season, it will be Bobby Mauger and Stan Stolar at guards, Brower Yeager at the center slot and Gene Beck and Don Ziegler at forwards.

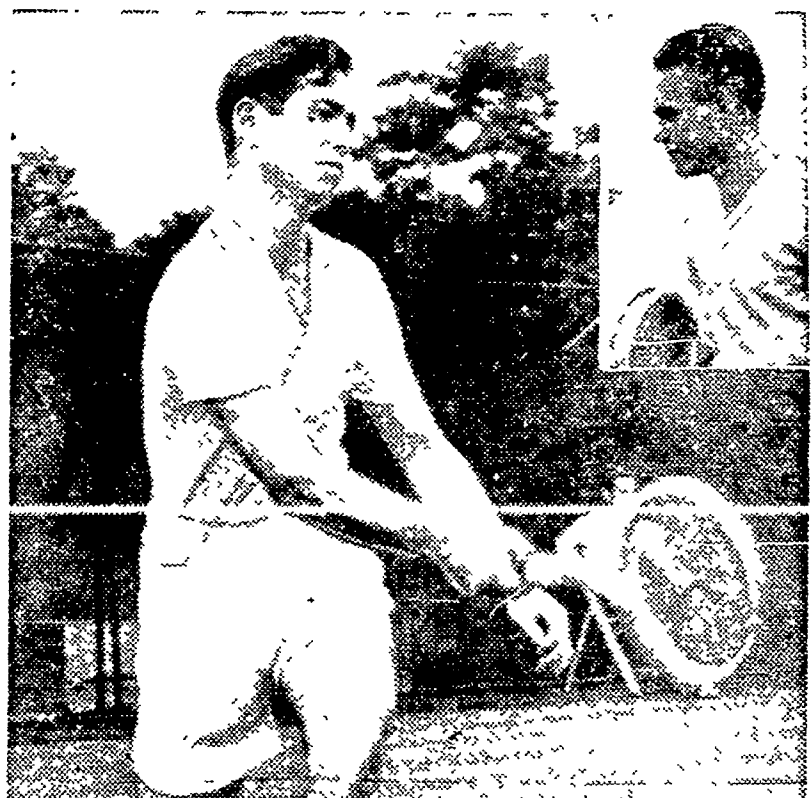
In the preliminary tilt listed for 7:15 o'clock, UAW 644 and Pottstown Tool and Engineering quarrels will provide the entertainment.

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Bobby Riggs and Jack Kramer Tangle Tonight in Tennis Match

NEW YORK, Dec. 25 (AP)—The most eagerly awaited tennis match since before the war comes up at Madison Square garden tomorrow night when big Jack Kramer and small Bobby Riggs tangle in the first match of a professional tour which eventually will carry them through much of the world.

Riggs has been the undisputed professional champion for the past two years, since he finally beat Don Budge into reluctant submission. Kramer in the same period has established himself as much the best of the world's amateurs, and for a guarantee of \$50,000 he is starting out to try to prove that he can blast Riggs off the court.

Opinion is strongly divided on whether the Davis Cup hero can digest such a smart, rugged little operator as Riggs, who possibly is as great a defensive player as the game has seen. The amateur crowd is banked almost solidly behind Kramer, but the professionals have a strong hunch, which they are backing with money, that Riggs will at least win the opener.

Riggs, himself, picks Riggs to win tomorrow night in four sets, though he says he regards Kramer as a better player than Budge ever was. "He has a better service and overhead game than Don had," he says, "though maybe his backhand isn't quite as good. He's going to be tough, but it remains to be seen how he will do against my game."

Kramer is quietly confident that he can beat Riggs or anyone else if he has his big game under control. Most of the critics think so, too. Their only doubt is whether "Big Jake" will reach his peak under the strange new conditions of hard surface and blinding overhead lights.

It will be an old story to Riggs. He has played hundreds of matches indoors, and the closely-pressing crowd and the uproar will be meat in his skillet. He will be in there fencing calmly against Kramer's blazing serves and drives, looking for some small weakness he can exploit.

TWO GAMES SCHEDULED
Two good games have been called for tonight in Spring City high school gymnasium, beginning at 7:15 o'clock, when Parkside quintet will pair off with St. John Falcons, Pottstown. The second engagement will see Liberty Fire company Vets and Pottstown Amvets.

EAGLESTOCOUNT ON LINE AGAINST CARDINAL FOES

Neale, Backfield Stars Heap Paudits Upon Al Wistert and Others

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 25 (AP)—Coach Greasy Neale didn't hesitate today to tell you that the Philadelphia Eagles are counting on a broad shouldered guy from Michigan and his six co-plaunates to spearhead a National Football league championship victory over the Chicago Cardinals in Comiskey park Sunday.

The plaudits in the Eagles' drive to the Eastern division title have been reserved for Steve Van Buren, the joining runner and Tommy Thompson, passer deluxe. But the players— including Van Buren and Thompson— hand the bouquets to big Al Wistert, All-Professional tackle and inspirational leader of the Birds, and the rest of the forward wall.

The Eagle line allowed the fewest yards rushing by the opposition in the league (1329) and accomplished the almost unheard of feat of scoring four shutouts—only ones registered in 121 NFL games in 1947—in the super offensive-minded loop. It must be pointed out, too, that this was a year when practically all of the league's offensive records were shattered.

Wistert, said Greasy Neale, was by far the dominating factor in our winning the championship.

"His dressing room talks prior to our games with Green Bay and Pittsburgh steamed up our boys like a bunch of college kids. He impressed them that this was 'it' and that the club had to 'pull together to win'."

But Wistert does more than talk. His terrific charge that carries him into offensive backfields before the play can get underway and his tremendous speed in moving downfield under punts has made him one of the most feared linemen in the league.

But as the statistics reveal, the Michigan alumnus is not a one-man line.

Tackle Vic Sears, a seven-year Eagle veteran from Oregon State college; guards Frank Kilroy, 240-pound ex-Temple star and John Patton, Texas Christian luminary; center Alex Wojciechowski, one of Fordham's famous blocks of granite; ends Pete Pihos, golden Greek from Indiana, and Jack (Blackjack) Ferrante, product of the Philadelphia sandlots, complete a first string line that knows all the tricks, and uses them.

Ferocious line play set the pattern for both recent Eagle victories over the Packers and Steelers.

Southern College Team Wins Yam Bowl Game

DALLAS, Tex., Dec. 25 (AP)—The Southern college Jaguars of Baton Rouge, La., won the second annual Yam Bowl by walloping the Fort Valley, Ga., State college Wildcats, 46-0, here this afternoon before a crowd of 1209.

F. D. Henderson skirted right end for the final score in the last half after teammates Marshall Keyes and Edward Calloway opened the third and fourth quarter scoring.

PIAA and Catholic Schools Agree on Eligibility Standards

HARRISBURG, Dec. 25 (AP)—Public and Catholic high schools in Pennsylvania agreed on eligibility rules during 1947 that left the way opened for inter-group athletic competition but as the year ended a court decision gave public schools a new problem in control and financing of athletics.

The interscholastic athletics dilemma developed over a Superior court ruling that receipts from athletic contests and other extracurricular activities must be handled exactly as tax monies.

The complication developed over a provision in the school code banning expenditures by school boards other than those provided by law.

Governor James H. Duff, however, entered into the situation with a statement that high school athletics and other extracurricular activities could be continued within scope of the court decision if the school boards do not delegate management and control of them and follow the school code in extracurricular expenditures.

For years, the Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic association has regulated school boy athletics of its member schools, now numbering 1054 in the state. Dr. Francis B. Haas, State superintendent of public instruction, advanced a belief during the discussion, that the PIAA "can be continued as a voluntary organization."

The eligibility differences between the PIAA and the Catholic schools arose over the question of part-time coaches. The migratory rule also came into the discussion.

Under a strict interpretation of the PIAA constitution and by-laws no member school can now engage in athletics with a school whose rules are less strict than those of the PIAA. The Catholic schools do not engage full time coaches.

Each group appointed a committee to adjust the matter and it was finally decided to submit an amendment to the PIAA constitution to the member schools making it possible to meet Catholic schools whose coaches were approved by the superintendent of the Catholic diocese, by the principal of the Catholic high school, and by the district committee of the PIAA in which the Catholic school is located.

Other activities of the PIAA centered around the suspension of Allentown high school for two years for using ineligible players, and a five year suspension of St. Clair high school for walking off the floor during a basketball play-off.

MEETING TONIGHT

The Norco Booster club will meet tonight in the high school. The financial report for the year will be read and a program for the coming year discussed.

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BRINGING UP FATHER



North, South Squads Work on Offenses For Blue-Gray Tilt

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Dec. 25 (AP)—Northern and southern all-star football squads went through short workouts here in brief Christmas Day weather to brush up in all departments for Saturday's annual Blue-Gray game.

Again the air attacks came in for a lot of attention, as did pass defense work, punting and returning kickoffs. The teams ran signals and renewed their offensive and defensive plays in general.

The two squads will hold their final practice rounds tomorrow. The North has shied away from rough contact work altogether to keep down injuries. The South has held one hard scrimmage which Coach Allyn McKeen said today put Mississippi State back Wally Matulech "definitely" out of the game. All-Southeastern center Jay Rhodamey of Kentucky is nursing a shoulder injury but will see action, McKeen said.

With those exceptions, coaches said their teams are in good shape.

Ben Hogan Foresees 'Best' Year in 1948

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 25 (AP)—Ben Hogan, golf's leading money winner in 1940, '41 and '42, feels that next year will be his "best"—not so much from the money angle but in scoring.

He'll cut down on his tournament during 1948 "because it's physically impossible to play them all." But in those he does perform, he'll be concentrating on breaking a few records.

To some reports that his game possibly is going "sour," Hogan says "I don't think I'm slipping; on the contrary, I believe I'm in for my greatest year in 1948."

Hogan didn't do so badly the past year. He placed third in money with \$23,310.15. His partner in many a four-ball tournament, Jimmy Demaret, led the field with \$26,536.83 and Bobby Locke, the Bruasher, was second at \$24,327.50.

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NOTICE
To All Residents of the Borough of Pottstown, Pa.
Garbage, ashes and refuse will be collected by Mr. George H. Dunn, Contractor, 718 Walnut St. Phone 2699-J after January 1, 1948, in accordance with the following collection schedule:
3rd, 4th, 6th and 7th Ward—Monday and Thursday
8th, 10th Wards—Tuesday and Friday
West, 2nd, 5th and 9th Wards—Wednesday and Saturday
Stores and business places every other day or as arranged with user of collection service.
No charge will be made for private residences within the Borough limits of Pottstown, Pa. A charge will be made from business, commercial and industrial establishments who require collection service, based on quantity and frequency of collection.
GARBAGE, ASH & REFUSE COLLECTION
1. Garbage containers shall be metal with tight lids and not over 20 gallons capacity unless approved by contractor. Ashes may be placed in strong wooden or metal containers but shall not weigh over 75 lbs.
2. All containers shall be placed not more than 20 feet from curb line of street or 20 feet from alley line in rear, and shall be placed in alley location as noted above where possible.
3. The Borough will enforce use of proper containers.
4. The term ashes and refuse may be construed to mean, ashes, tin cans, glass, metal ware, paper and all household wastes except stones, bricks and building materials. It can also include grass clippings, garden weeds and garden wastes. Tree trimmings will be collected when securely tied in bundles not to exceed 6 feet in length.
5. Collections will be made twice each week in accordance with schedule noted above and containers shall be placed in proper location before contractors scheduled time of collection.
6. The following holidays may be observed by the contractor if he so elects:
January 1, July 4, Labor Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas.
Collections will be made as soon as possible after each holiday.
7. The Borough officials of the Borough of Pottstown request the cooperation of all residents and the contractor in the proper enforcement of these rules and regulations.
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By: DOW I. SEARS, Borough Manager
GEORGE H. DUNN, Contractor
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ON THE AIR FRIDAY

MORNING			
WFO	WCAU	WTL	WIP
6:30 NBC 1960 K Morning Salute R. D. 1960 Ted Steele	6:30 CBS 1210 K Jamboree Burali Diest Amos Kirby	6:30 ABC 500 K Piano Songs Jack Day Farmers Market Zeke Manners	6:30 CBS 610 K Dawn Patrol News, Music Dawn Patrol News
7:00 Musical Clock News: Music Musical Clock Musical Clock	7:00 News: Weather Burali Diest J. Raleigh News H. Moore	7:00 LeRoy Miller LeRoy Miller News: Weather Toy Miller	7:00 Mac McGuire Comedy News: Mac Mac McGuire
8:00 Musical Clock Musical Clock Musical Clock	8:00 Guest Star At Home With the Gainers	8:00 News: Weather Breakfast Club Mac McGuire	8:00 Mac McGuire Comedy News: Mac Mac McGuire
9:00 Jack Ruby Morning Variety Fred Waring	9:00 Leta Have Fun Gladys Webster Gladys Webster David Harum	9:00 My True Story Betty Crocker Listening Post Breakfast	9:00 Kevs to Happen News Easy Aces Songs of Stage
10:00 Road of Life Voice of the Nora Drake Katie's Daughter Jack Lerch Lora Lewton	10:00 Arthur Godfrey Breakfast In Hollywood Galen Drake Ted Malone	10:00 Kitchen Kapers Tina Turner Heart's Desire Heart's Desire	10:00 Mac McGuire Comedy News: Mac Mac McGuire
11:00 Musical Clock Musical Clock Musical Clock	11:00 Guest Star At Home With the Gainers	11:00 News: Weather Breakfast Club Mac McGuire	11:00 Mac McGuire Comedy News: Mac Mac McGuire
AFTERNOON			
12:00 Alan Gans Lunchtime News: Songs Maestro Magic	12:00 Warren News Jenny Trent Jenny Trent Jenny Trent	12:00 Traveler Sleepy Hollow Sleepy Hollow Sleepy Hollow	12:00 Mac McGuire Comedy News: Mac Mac McGuire
1:00 Here's to Vets Musical Variety Today's Children Woman in White Holly Sloan Lillian in World Life Beautiful Ma Perkins Pepper Young Right to Happiness Ma Perkins Stella Dallas Lorenzo Jones Wilder Brown When Girl Works Ferdia Faces Life Just Plain Bill David Farrell	1:00 Dig Sister Ma Perkins Dr. Malone Gladys Webster Gladys Webster David Harum Arthur Godfrey Breakfast In Hollywood Galen Drake Ted Malone	1:00 Rhythm Show Keys to Happiness Amos Kirby News: Weather & Farm Report Queer for a Day Martin Block Show Studio Strangers Song Charter Bar Xmas Music	1:00 Mac McGuire Comedy News: Mac Mac McGuire
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EVENING			
6:00 News: Talk H. Robert, Sports Bob Elson Three Star Extra Supper Club News: Smith Musical Millstones Highways in Maestro Can You Top This People Are Funny Waltz Time Mystery Theatre Bill Stern Pro and Con News Caravan	6:00 J. Reeves News Sports: Weather Peter Donald Lowell Thomas Beulah Jack Smith "Club 15" Ed. Morrow Snooks Show Adventures of the Thin Man Mark Warron Show Suspense It Pays to Be Ignorant Spotlight Show Spike Jones News: Q. Howe Powers Court Sunny Dunham Orchestra News: orch.	6:00 Magic Lady Sing, Crosby Moorehead Norman Black Melody Fair Lone Ranger Cowboy Drama The Fat Man Joe Piliado Leave It To the Girls Gabriel Heatter Memorable Music Information Please Meet the Press News Serenade C'mon! Dance C'mon! Dance Bandwagon	6:00 Mac McGuire Comedy News: Mac Mac McGuire

It's Queer But True

GOLDFISH ARE NOT NATURALLY OF GOLDEN COLOR. A GOLD COLOR IS OBTAINED BY SELECTION AND BREEDING OF SPECIES SO THINLY.

HAS THE MUMMY OF QUEEN NAKHESUT OF EGYPT EVER BEEN FOUND?

NO

MASAKO KATSURA

OF TOKYO, JAPAN, WAS CONSIDERED THE GREATEST WOMAN BILLIARDS PLAYER IN THE WORLD. (1946)

A CAULIFLOWER IS REALLY A CLUSTER OF MANY FLOWERS CROWDED TOGETHER IN THE FORM OF A HEAD.

ROOM and BOARD by Gene Ahern

YES, SIR--THRU THE PUFFLE PROCESS, PIANO MANUFACTURERS CAN SHIP PIANOS BY PARCEL POST IN 10 POUND BOXES. THE PIANOS ARE DEHYDRATED, AND PIANO ARRIVAL ARE ENLARGED TO STANDARD SIZE THRU ABSORBING MOISTURE!

JUNIOR IS RIGHT--THIS MOOSE IS WANDERING UP LOONY LANE--I'LL CALL IN DOC SKOOP TO CHECK HIM FOR ANY SHORT CIRCUITS!

The Old Home Town by Stanley

YES, I GUESS YOU'RE RIGHT MAW--JUNIOR'S TOO YOUNG YET TO TAKE UP CHEMISTRY AS A CAREER....

TODAY'S Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

- Man's name
- Twelve dozen
- Eat away
- Kind of tree
- Tantalum
- Grampus
- Genus of the lily
- Top of milk
- Before
- Expression of disgust
- Trunk shelf
- Neuter pronoun
- Verbal
- Plays
- Cushion
- Isthmus, SE Asia
- Believe
- Queen of Carthage
- Expression of delight
- Variety of chalcidony
- The head (humorous)
- Type measure
- Moves with loud, low hum
- Decays
- Also
- Jewish month
- Common
- Cinema
- East Indian plant
- Endure
- DOWN
- A velvet-black material
- Constellation

3. Cobalt (sym)

4. Small

5. Head

6. Great

7. Britain (abbr.)

8. Narrow inlet (geol.)

9. Band across a shield (her.)

10. Dross

11. Bedding

12. Nap-raisin implement

13. Metal trimming of a scabbard

14. Vestige

15. River (It.)

16. Gold

17. Heraldry

18. Three feet

19. Youths

20. Conduits

21. Pres. of Mexico

22. Beautiful child

23. Branched

24. Jog

25. Golf (Sib.)

26. Condemns

27. Stupefy

28. To argue for and against

29. River (Pol.)

30. Hebrew letter

31. Piece of furniture

32. The (Fr.)

33. A state (abbr.)

Yesterday's Answer

49. Hebrew letter

50. Piece of furniture

51. The (Fr.)

52. A state (abbr.)

FAGLEYSVILLE

Mrs. Dorothy Geisler, corr. Phone Pottsville 703-J-4. J. Ernest Berghoff, delivery.

A birthday and Christmas party was held recently at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Luther Hetrick in honor of Mr. J. Luther Hetrick.

The following guests were present: Mr. and Mrs. Clair Hetrick and children, Betty, Dorothy, Emma, Isabel, Roy, Harold and Merrill; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rushton and children, Janice and Carol Ann; Mr. and Mrs. Russell Kurtz, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hetrick and son, Harvey; Mrs. Lloyd Troxel and children, John and Margaret; Mrs. Walter Evans and daughters, Dorothy and Pearl; Mr. and Mrs. James Hetrick and children, Shirley, June and Eleanor; of Amityville, and Mr. and Mrs. Chester Hetrick and son, Douglas and daughter, Alice Fay, of Barto.

Also Mr. and Mrs. Frank Moyer and children, Doris, Nancy, Dee and Dale from Bernville; Mr. and Mrs. Paul Sands and children, Jane and Gale; Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Trout, of Boyertown; Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Hetrick and son, Donald, of Limerick; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hetrick and sons, Robert, Richard, Ronald and David, of Earlville, and Mrs. Eddie Kerr and daughters, Nancy and Sharon, Jack Hetrick, Ralph Wilson, of Oley; the Rev. and Mrs. William H. Solly, of Philadelphia; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Endy and children, Dawn and Harold, of Gilbertville; the Misses Mary and Marion Bacon, of Pottsville, and Janet Hetrick and Miss Ruth Moser, of Oley.

The Mothers' club of Fagleysville school recently gave a Christmas party to the pupils of the school. Santa Claus distributed gifts after which the pupils enjoyed refreshments.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Yerk and son, Fred, attended the Shrine Kiddies Christmas party in Reading on Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph J. Geisler recently visited Fred Heiny who is recovering at his home from an accident.

George H. Smith Sr., called on Herbert B. Wagner and family recently.

SALLY'S SALLIES

12-26

"I spent all that money for nothing. He can't smell!"

SCRAPS

TUSKER HAS KILLED OTHER PANTHERS--HE'LL KILL YOUR PET TOO! RUN HIM AWAY--

BUT, DARELLA, THE ELEPHANT SEES FANG IS FRIENDLY WITH US, SO HE--

IF YOU ALONE WOULD COME AND JOIN US, TUSKER'D KNOW THIS PANTHER MEANS YOU NO HARM--

IT WORKED! SEE? HE'S WALKING SLOWLY TOWARD US! THAT'S TUSKER'S GESTURE OF TRUST--

THE BEGINNING OF A BEAUTIFUL FRIENDSHIP-- WE HOPE!

HELLO MISS DEAN, I WANT TO BORROW A BOOK TO READ TONIGHT.

SOMETHING WILD AND WOOLLY, NO DOUBT?

OH, NO, NOTHING EXCITING IN FACT, I'D PREFER SOMETHING DULL.

THAT DOESN'T SOUND LIKE YOU AT ALL, MUGGS!

ALL TELL YA WHAT MISS DEAN--SUPPOSE YOU PICK OUT SOMETHING. I KNOW THAT ANYTHING YOU RECOMMEND WILL BE SUITABLE...

I GOT A JOB SITTING WITH A COUPLE YOUNG KIDS TONIGHT...AND I WANT TO GET THEM TO SLEEP QUICK!!

YES--YES--CHECKED OUT OF THE HOTEL, YOU SAY?

TOOK A CAB AND YOU TRAILED THEM TO THE AIRPORT? FINE! WHAT THEN, TALON?

THEY LEFT IN A PRIVATE PLANE? YOU DID NOT CHARTER ONE IMMEDIATELY TO FOLLOW THEM?--WHY, YOU--

THAT'S RIGHT! A POUND OF FEATHERS WEIGHS MORE THAN A POUND OF GOLD, BECAUSE FEATHERS ARE WEIGHED AT SIXTEEN OUNCES TO A POUND WHILE GOLD IS WEIGHED AT TWELVE OUNCES.

VI-VEE!

--NOW WOULD YOU LIKE TO GO FOR SIXTY DOLLARS?--

YOU BETTER QUIT!

NO, STOP! SHELL TAKE THE THIRTY BUCKS AND QUIT WHO CARES? BUT SKETCH, I WANT TO WIN MORE!! I'M JUST GETTING IN THE GROOVE!!

IS SKETCH CRAZY OR SOMETHING?

THROW HIM OUT!

WHY DOESN'T THIS FELLOW SHOW UP? HE SHOULD HAVE BEEN BY LONG AGO!

I THINK I KNOW THE ANSWER.

HE'S JUST NOT COMING DOWN THIS ROAD AT ALL!

WHAT MAKES YOU SO SURE?

HE DOESN'T WANT TO BE SEEN AND HE'S TAKING NO CHANCES!

WE MIGHT KNOW HE'D BE SMART ENOUGH FOR THAT!

HOLD YORE FIRE, BLUNDERBUSS!! THAT HAIN'T NO YALLER YAWKLEY--IT'S A SCARECROW

YO'RE TETCHED IN TH' HAID, SNUFFY

BY JEEPEERS!! IT'S A YALLER YAWKLEY, AN I AIM TO BLOW HIM OFFN TH' FACE O' THIS GREEN AIRTH

SHOO, CROWS!! SHOO! SHOO!!

WHO ROBBED THE COOKIE JAR, ALFRED?

SNUFFY'S COUSIN

SOPHIE, DRY YOUR TEARS--THAT BABY IS GONE, BUT I'VE GOT ANOTHER LIL' BABY FOR YOU TO LOVE AND CHERISH.

OH, DAN! IS IT A BOY OR A GIRL?

HE'S EITHER A BABY BIRD DOG OR JUST A PLAIN MUTT, SOPHIE, I DON'T KNOW WHICH, BUT YOU'LL GET MIGHTY ATTACHED TO HIM!

JIMMY MURPHY

CASPER, YOU'RE ALWAYS BEAMING, AND I'M SO UPSET AND GLUM--YOU MUST HAVE A CORNER ON ALL THE HAPPINESS IN THE WORLD.

I'M IN LUCK, COL. HOOVER! THINGS ARE SLACK AT THE OFFICE, SO I'M GETTIN' OFF WITH TWO WEEKS PAY.

GREAT WORK, EEGA BEEVA! I ONLY HAD A ROPE!

THE NAPKIN, THE PLATE--

NOW FOR THE KNIFE AND FORK

WHERE'S MY NAPKIN?

NOT A BAD TEPEE

The New Look



Bright little Norman Chastaney, 1, is wide-eyed with wonder at all the new and strange sights at La Guardia Field, N. Y., where he arrived by plane from Frankfurt, Germany, with his parents. The boy's father, an ex-GI from Concord, New Hampshire, went overseas to bring his wife and son back to the United States.

Missing Son Found As Private in Army

CLEVELAND, Dec. 25 (AP)—News that her missing 18-year-old son is alive and healthy—as a member of the U. S. Army—gave a lift today to Mrs. Philip Randall's Christmas celebration.

Friends from Stephens Point, N. Y., sent the welcome report to Mrs. Randall that they had received a letter from the youth, John W. Randall, II, stating that he had become an Army private at Fort Jackson, S. C.

Mrs. Randall's earlier Christmas plans were shrouded with gloom after a \$500 reward brought no clues to the whereabouts of her son, who disappeared before Thanksgiving from Manlius school, near Syracuse, N. Y.

"I had thought that John was trying to get out of a uniform, instead of into one," sighed the relieved mother, "but this news probably was the finest Christmas gift I have ever received."

Pastor Bases Peace On Worldly Good Will

In a message typical of those delivered in Pottstown churches yesterday morning, the Rev. Luther A. Krouse, pastor of the Emmanuel Lutheran church, told his congregation:

"Peace on earth will be a reality only when men everywhere permit the Babe of Bethlehem to control their lives."

He continued, "The philosophy that seems to prevail today is that we shall have peace provided we are armed to the teeth."

"If we are ever to have peace on earth, it must come through the establishment of good will. Peace is for men whose hearts have been changed by the indwelling of Him, the anniversary of Whose Birth we celebrate today."

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RECORDS

POPULAR

THE DUM DOT SONG IT ALL CAME TRUE	Frank Sinatra 37966	YOU MY OWN GRANPA IT'S THE SAME THE WORLD, WORLD OVER	The Jesters 1573
YOU DO ANGELA MIA	Vic Damone 5056	LET'S BE SWEETHEARTS AGAIN PASS THAT PEACE PIPE	Margaret Whiting 15010
CIVILIZATION BOULEVARD OF MEMORIES	Woody Herman 37385	CRADLE SONG NANCY	Frank Sinatra 36868
SUMMERTIME WRITE ME A LETTER	The Ravens 9038	JAVA JIVE DO I WORRY	Ink Spots 23633
DOWN IN THE INDIES PULL DOWN THE SHADES MARIE	Ruth Wallis 1112	SAVE THE BONES FOR HENRY JONES HARMONY	King Cole Trio-Johnny Mercer 15000
TOO FAT POLKA FOR ME AND MY GAL	Arthur Godfrey 37921	OLD MAN RIVER WOULD YOU BELIEVE ME	The Ravens 9035
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